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THE MORNING STAR CALENDAR

APRIL

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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Port Almanac—April 25.

Sun Rises	5.14 A M
Sun Sets	6.43 P M
Day's Length	13 h 26 m
High Water at Southport	5.32 A M
High Water at Wilmington	7.05 A M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., April 25.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 69°; 8 p. m., 64°; maximum, 77°; minimum, 61°; mean, 69°; Rainfall for the day, 06; rainfall for the month up to date, .45.

COTTON REGION BULLETIN.

Light rain was reported Thursday at Charlotte, Cheraw, Weldon, Goldsboro and Florence. The temperature was lower at all stations; the maximum at Wilmington was 70 degrees; Greensboro and Newbern, 74; Weldon and Lumberton, 76; Goldsboro and Florence 78; Charlotte, 83.

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

Forecast for Saturday: Fair in the western portion, local showers, followed by fair weather in the eastern portion; warmer in the western portion; southwesterly winds. South Carolina: Local showers on the north coast, fair in the interior with warmer winds shifting to westerly.

The barometer has fallen in the Lake region and thence southward over the Ohio valley and South Atlantic States' coasts.

The temperature has risen in the Lake region, Ohio valley and at Rocky Mountain stations, and it is cooler along the Middle Atlantic and New England coasts.

Showers are likely to prevail from southern New England southward to Georgia, followed by fair weather from Virginia southward. The weather will continue generally fair throughout the Lake region; lower Ohio valley and the northwest.

OUTLINES.

Spanish officials report that several bands of insurgents were attacked by Government troops and defeated; other reports assert that the affair was similar to many others, wherein unarmed men were killed; Weyler has issued a proclamation promising free pardon to all insurgents who will come into Government lines and surrender within twenty days —— The primary cause of the affray between Congressmen Hall and Money was the bitter feud existing between the line and staff officers of the navy; Secretary Herbert will take some action to bring about better relations between naval officers. —— Bradstreet's reports a more hopeful feeling at many trade centres. —— At Hill Top, Charles county, Md., Joseph Cocking, who keeps a general store, was knocked senseless, his wife and her sister killed, and his store robbed. ——Fighting is reported as going on in Nicaragua and the revolutionary party is said to have met with reverses. —— All the arrangements for the Southern Grain and Trade Congress, which will meet in Charleston, S. C., on the 29th, have been completed; delegates will be present from many points in the South and West. —— There is supposed to be a general understanding among commanders of Spanish columns that no prisoners are to be taken; the public execution of prisoners of war, which were suspended for a while, have been resumed. N. Y. markets: Money on call easy at 2@3 per cent.; last loan at 3½ and closing offered at 3½ per cent.; cotton quiet; middling gulf 8 5-16c; middling 8 1-16c; Southern flour was quiet; common to extra fair $2.40@3.00; good to choice $3.00@3.30; wheat—spot dull and firmer; No. 2 red in store and at elevator nominal; afloat nominal. Corn—spot dull and firm; No. 2 at elevator 39c; afloat 40c; spirits turpentine scarce and firm at 29@29½c; rosin firm, with light supply; strained, common to good $2.00.

A big fur house in New York failed the other day. There was little sympathy with it as it had the reputation of doing a skinning business.

There must be a great deal of tubercolosis in the milch cows of New York State when the State Board of Health asks for $300,000 to eradicate it.

The Baltimore *Sun* rises to remark that the Massachusetts Democrats pointed the way to victory when they adopted the gold platform. Why, they can't carry Massachusetts on it.

Senator Tillman threatens to walk out of the Democratic National Convention if Whitney is nominated. If he went out on a gallop or on a bicycle he would attract much more attention.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

Attention is called to the following REDUCED RATES rates of Subtion to THE MORNING STAR:

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One	"	50

TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.

The STAR will be delivered by carrier at any point in the city at 12 cents per week, or 45 cents per month.

That big find of gold which started in Randolph county some time ago, where it was stated a farmer plowed up a box containing $18,000, and was next heard from in Georgia where another farmer had similar good luck, now comes to us, considerably enlarged, from Jackson county, where a railroad conductor tells the Salisbury *World*, a farmer last Saturday ran his plow into an obstruction which proved to be a box containing a bushel of Mexican gold coins. The farmer was a renter and now the mean man who owns the land wants to take all that Mexican gold away from him.

It isn't easy to down some men. Policeman Leuyster, of Jersey City, had such a fat take that he accumulated adipose until he pulled down the beam at 335 pounds, and then they proposed to retire him on a pension. But he was not of a retiring disposition, and told them if they gave him a showing, he would get himself within the regulation limits. They let him try. Mark Hanna didn't get hold of him to fry any fat out of him, but he took to sawing wood and other healthful recreations and in less than nine months got rid of 107 pounds of surplus, and returned to duty as a peace protector of proper build.

The steamship Mobile, on her last trip across the Atlantic, encountered a field of floating icebergs, fifty miles in diameter. A superb sight this field of white presented in the blue waters, with its fantastic towers, minarets, etc., glistening in the sun, but the Mobile didn't loiter close to it any longer than she could help.

Representative Cannon, of Illinois, wants the Government to print a map of the United States on a scale of one foot to the square mile. As this would make a map a third of a mile one way and a half a mile the other, Mr. Cannon might find some difficulty in finding a place to hang it up.

The bicycle sellers in New York did a rushing business last week and sold more bikes, they say, than they ever did in the same time before. With all the straddling these days it is not surprising that the politicians should do more or less of it.

Mr. Cooper, a Republican Representative from Wisconsin, has introduced a bill in Congress to impose an additional tax on adulterated beer. When Mr. Cooper puts down his nickel for a schooner of lager he wants the straight stuff.

According to the tab kept by the librarian of the Mercantile Library, the largest lending library in New York city, 53 per cent. of the books taken out are novels, and the greatest novel readers in the town are the preachers.

While Gen. Weyler is building his trocha to keep the rebs away from him, the Cuban insurgents have the freedom of the Island. Gen. Weyler, although putting on some style, is practically a prisoner in Havana.

The Philadelphia *Record* pronounces the Massachusetts Democratic platform as a "model declaration." It is more than a model; it is a daisy—to be walloped on.

A new industry has started up at Sharon, Pa. It is shipping cats, live cats, to the State of Washington, where they are wanted to hunt gophers.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

MERCER & EVANS—Look.
W E SPRINGER & CO—Buck ranges.

NEW BUSINESS LOCALS.

OPERA HOUSE—Entertainment.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. W. A. Sales, of New York, is in the city, a guest of The Purcell.

— Mr. W. C. Bryant, of New York, is in the city, a guest at The Purcell.

— Mr. A. D. Montague, of Baltimore, was among the arrivals in the city yesterday, a guest at The Purcell.

— Mayor E. H. Cramer and Mr. Thomas Moore, of Southport, were in the city yesterday to take in the "Wang" show.

— Mr. N. L. Shaw, of Warrenton, Grand Dictator Knights of Honor for North Carolina, who has been on a visit to the Lodge here, left for Lumberton yesterday.

LOCAL DOTS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Local forecast for to-day: Fair; warmer; south winds.

— There was 3.6 feet water in the river at Fayetteville Thursday.

— There will be an important meeting of the Chamber of Commerce to-day at 12.30 o'clock at the rooms of the National Bank of Wilmington.

— Messrs. Paterson, Downing & Co. cleared yesterday the Russian barque *Agda*, for Garston, Eng., with a cargo of 3,196 barrels rosin, valued at $6,016.

— Prof. C. W. Williams (col.) announces a musical entertainment at the Opera House next Monday night by good singers, and cordially invites his white friends.

— There were generous showers in this city and vicinity last night that no doubt were hailed with rejoicing by the truck farmers in this section whose crops were suffering.

— The clubs of the National League will play as follows to-day: Cleveland at Pittsburg, Washington at Baltimore, Brooklyn at Philadelphia, Boston at New York, Chicago at Cincinnati, Louisville at St. Louis.

— A weekly paper has been established at Prong, Columbus county, with Mr. W. D. Wooten as editor and proprietor. The name of the new paper is *Free Silver*, which indicates very clearly what its position is on the money question.

— The Seaboard Air Line has authorized a rate of one fare for the round trip to Southern Pines, on account of the Northern Settlers Convention at that point, in May. Tickets on sale May 7th and 8th, limited to fifteen days from date of sale.

— The STAR should have stated yesterday, in referring to the map of Wilmington, that it was designed by a committee of the Chamber of Commerce for advertising purposes and that an arrangement was made with the Seaboard Air Line under which the latter had the cuts made, and used one for their interesting publication, "Salmagundi."

— Rev. J. B. Cheshire, D. D., Bishop of North Carolina, will preach the sermon, and Josephus Daniels, Esq., of the *News and Observer*, will make the address at Oak Ridge Institute this year. The commencement occurs May 17th, 18th and 19th. The school is closing a very prosperous year. There will be forty-five graduates in the various departments.

At The Opera House.

"Wang" last night at the Opera House was greeted by a large audience. Although this was the third presentation here of this successful comic opera, interest never wavered.

Mr. Albert Hart, in the leading role, *Wang*, played the unscrupulous regent with a true conception. His facial expressions, dancing, and above all, his rich baritone voice, all went to verify the meritorious expressed opinion of those who had seen him before, as the funny and enjoyable Regent of Siam.

Miss Georgie Craine, as *Mataya*, Crown Prince of Siam, fulfilled every requirement of the part. Her rendition of "A Pretty Girl, A Summer Night" won encore after encore.

One of the funniest objects on the stage was Mr. Frank Casey, in the role of *Pepat*, keeper of the elephant. As musical conductor of the banjo chorus, he was truly a parody on the famous John Philip Sousa.

The chorus was fine, as was also the scenery, especially that in the first act, "Public Landing of River Menam, at Pechaburi.

Last night was the farewell visit of "Wang" under the direction of those able managers, D. W. Truss & Co. The troupe leave for Raleigh this morning.

The Revival at Fifth Street Church.

The revival at Fifth Street M. E. Church continues with increasing manifestations of interest. The sermons of the Rev. L. J. Holden, it is said, have been characterized by profound thinking, simplicity and straightforwardness of expression, and forcefulness of presentation. That they have made a deep impression is manifest in the fact that the congregations have increased in size, that many penitents are presenting themselves for prayers, and that a large number of persons have professed conversion. Mr. Holden will preach at that church to-night and at the services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. to-morrow.

Black Gum Against Thunder.

The McNairs of Robeson county are so fond of playing checkers that they play against each other when they can't find a victim outside the family. Howard C. McNair, of Alma, ex-champion of the State, and his brother Murphy McNair, of Maxton, have just completed a series of twenty games with the following result. Murphy NcNair, 6; Howard McNair, 4; drawn, 9. H. C. will never stop at this. He will play Murphy until he beats him "if it takes all Summer."

Zeb Vance Division K of P.

The Knights of Pythias of Asheville have invited Zeb Vance Division Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias of this city to be their guests at the meeting of the Grand Lodge K. of P., to be held in June next. Sir Knight Capt. Thos. D. Meares will call a meeting of the division to consider the matter, and from present indications it is thought that the invitation will be accepted.

— Messrs. W. J. Sutton, Elizabethtown; J. T. Bland, Burgaw; P. Hunyaw, Shawboro; Wm. G. Womble, Mayesville; Bruce Williams, Burgaw; W. H. French, Rocky Point; Geo. A. Hanes, North Carolina, were among the arrivals in the city yesterday.

SUPERIOR COURT.

A Number of Cases Disposed of—Dividend of Four Per Cent. Ordered to be Paid Creditors of Bank of New Hanover.

Yesterday morning soon after the opening of Court, by agreement of counsel "judgment non suit" was entered in the record of the case of Lockhart vs. Bear, which has already consumed two days of the time of the Court at this term.

In the case of C. C. Davis vs. the City of Wilmington, the demurrer was sustained, for the reason that the complaint does not set forth sufficient grounds to sustain the action. An appeal was taken by plaintiff.

Case of Mary Williams et al. vs. Leo Haid, was set for trial the second Wednesday of next term.

Mr. Junius Davis, receiver of the Bank of New Hanover, submitted report, and upon his showing that the cash assets in his hands and what he expects to collect are sufficient for the purpose, the Court ordered that a dividend of four per cent. be declared, payable on and after the 10th day of June next, to all creditors of said bank whose claims have been filed.

Cases on the calendar were disposed of as follows:

J. H. Hargrove & Co., vs. Adrian & Vollers. Judgment.

Smith, Courtney & Co.. vs. Industrial Manufacturing Co. Judgment.

Standard Oil Company vs. Harding Johnson, alias summons.

Geo. Duncan & Son vs. A. W. Watson. Judgment.

Albert Schenck et al vs. A. W. Watson. Judgment.

Joshua Tucker et al vs. J. D. Bellamy, Jr. Judgment.

Fidelity and Casualty Company, of New York, vs. B. F. Lee. Judgment.

Junius Davis, receiver, vs. Mrs. C. B. Southerland. Judgment.

Murchison & Co. vs. North State Improvement Co. et al. Judgment.

Sallie M. Richards vs. Cape Fear & Yadkin R. R. Co. et al. Judgment.

Thos. Harville and wife vs. Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R. Co. et al. Judgment.

Francis Winslow vs. Geo. L. Morton. Non suit.

M. E. Heyer, administrator, vs. Richard Smith. Judgment.

M. E. Heyer, administrator, vs. A. A. Cromartie. Judgment.

Bough & Sons vs. R. Kornegay. Judgment.

The following cases were continued: R. W. Hicks vs. J. T. McIver and Wilkes Morris; Armour Packing Co. vs. J. W. Taylor; Brown Bros. vs. W. H. Styron; Navassa Guano Co. vs. S. A. Smith & Co.; J. H. Gore vs. James Best, et al.; Kate T. Morecock vs. Hester J. Craig; S. U. Weill & Co. vs. C. W. Kunold, et al.; Corbett & Gore vs. Adrian & Vollers; Cook & Bernheimer Company vs. Adrian & Vollers; T. P. VanOrsdell vs. W. B. McCoy; J. E. Sharp vs. G. W. Zimmerman; Samuel Bear, Sr., vs. W. N. Harriss et al; D O'Connor vs. Bladen Street M. E. Church South; A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. Harding Johnson; J. W. Atkinson vs. F. W. Kerchner, executor; T. C. Miller vs. Johnson Hooper; Felix Jacobs and wife et al vs. Jane Anne Harriss; F. H. Cooper vs. Laura J. Cooper; Kizzie James vs. John James; Emily Sprigs vs. Franklin L. Sprigs; A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. J. R. Turrentine; A. G. Ricaud, receiver, vs. Alderman & Flanner; J. Davis, receiver, vs. G. W. Williams et al.; University of North Carolina vs. Silvia Jones et al.; Samuel Bear, Sr., vs. Andrew Smith and wife; E. C. Piscatorial Association vs. Thomas Perret; W. E. Worth & Co., vs Woodward & Daughtridge.

THE ODD FELLOWS.

Exercises in Commemoration of the 77th Anniversary of the Order.

The 77th anniversary of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows was celebrated last night at Knights of Pythias hall after the meeting of Hanover Lodge. There were about 200 members present. The following filled the offices: Noble Grand, Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr.; V. G., Isaac Northrop; P. G., John Maunder; Secretary, F. B. Rice; Treasurer, Walker Taylor; Chaplain, Rev. A. D. McClure; R. S. to N. G., L. L. Boon; L. S. to N. G., H. O. Craig, R. S. to V. G., W. L. Jacobs; L. S. to V. G., M. A. Foote; R. S. S., J. E. Gordon; L. S. S., C. B. Allen; Conductor, C. Schulken; Warden, W. C. Smith; I. G., J. Sternberger; O. G, C. W. Stewart. The usual ceremonies of the Order for the occasion were gone through with, when. P. G. M. Jno. D. Bellamy, Jr., delivered an address showing the growth of the Order, the good it has accomplished, especially in the city of Wilmington; the establishment and maintenance of a school here fifty four years ago for the education of children, etc.

Mr. W. S. Warrock, Rev. A. D. McClure, Messrs. J. Northrop and N. Jacobi made short speeches. Col. Walker Taylor and Mr. F. B. Rice spoke of the work of the relief committee of the four lodges in this city in aiding indigent strangers, members of the Order. The benediction was pronounced and the closing ode sung, when the Master of Ceremonies Mr. Marcus Jacobi invited the members to partake of refreshments.

The occasion was very much enjoyed by all present.

A Brunswick Delegate Explains.

Thursday one of the Brunswick delegates to the Maxton convention gave the Hon. Demosthenes Lycurgus Russell a graphic description of the "proceedings" of that dignified body. He said he never witnessed anything like it before. He pictured to Lycurgus the wrangling, fighting, swearing, &c., and when he had finished, Demosthenes threw himself into a dramatic position and shouted: "Why 'the Devil and Tom Walker;' did you think you were a delegate to a Sunday school convention.?"

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

DELEGATES TO THE NORTHERN SETTLERS' CONVENTION.

Wake County Democratic Committee—The Resolutions Passed at the Meeting of the State Executive Committee—Base Ball—The S. A. L. Construction Shops—Dockery People Talking About Judge Russell.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., April 24.

I asked Mr. Ed. Chambers Smith to let me see the resolutions passed at the meeting of the 24 members of the executive committee. He said that no one but himself had a copy of the resolutions, and that they would not be given out. I gave the substance of them and that is not denied. One of the members present said that Mid Leach was not present when the resolutions were passed. He came in late.

The Governor increases the number of delegates to the Settler's Convention daily. A large per cent. of them are Northern people who have made their homes in this State. It is estimated that 5 000 Northern citizens have settled in North Carolina in the past ten years.

The Wake County Democratic Executive Committee has been called to meet in Raleigh, on Saturday, June 6th.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons will meet in Newbern, May 12th. The Grand Commandery Knights Templar will hold their annual conclave on the 13th.

Dr. Sims of the Tabernacle church will preach a sermon to the Odd Fellows of the city next Sunday.

The Wake Forest Base Ball team passed through here this morning en route to Spartanburg and Greenville, where they play games to day and to-morrow.

This morning a car load of machinery was received here from Portsmouth to be used in the temporary shops which have been constructed. There is very little doubt that the shops will be rebuilt here, though Charlotte and a number of places are putting in bids. Charlotte is out of the question, because the shops must be on the main line, so an officer tells me.

The Dockery people say that Judge Russell has made many promises to "influential statesmen" and that when the day of promise comes round there will be no less than two Russell men for each chunk of pie and bologna sausage.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—16 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 22 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—17 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 34 bbls rosin, 34 bbls tar.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—31 casks spirits turpentine, 133 bbls rosin, 14 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk R. R.—87 bales cotton, 64 casks spirits turpentine, 51 bbls rosin.

Steamer D Murchison—32 casks spirits turpentine, 193 bbls rosin, 36 bbls tar, 21 bbls crude turpentine.

Total receipts—Cotton, 120 bales, spirits turpentine, 140 casks; rosin, 410 bbls; tar, 86 bbls; crude turpentine, 21 bbls.

Standard Oil Company's New Enterprise.

The new enterprise of the Standard Oil Company to make Wilmington the distributing point for its products in the States of North and South Carolina and Georgia, was inaugurated yesterday by the arrival of the first tank steamer, the *Maverick*, from Philadelphia, with cargo of 5,000 barrels of kerosene oil in bulk. The steamer is lying at the wharves of the A. C. L., where she will discharge her cargo through pipes laid for the purpose into the reservoir at the company's plant about six hundred yards from the river front. Captain Rubello, master of the *Maverick*, says the entire cargo, with the aid of the powerful pumps on the vessel, can be emptied into the reservoir in three hours.

In a Critical Condition.

Mr. Bradley George, who was seriously hurt last Tuesday by a wagon loaded with lumber colliding with the cart in which he was driving, is reported to be in a critical condition at his home on Masonboro Sound. His collar-bone was broken and shoulder dislocated. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the driver of the wagon, but it is said he has absconded.

Warsaw Crate Factory.

The Warsaw correspondent of the Clinton *Democrat* says: "Mr. T. B. Pierce, proprietor of the Warsaw crate factory, is enlarging his plant. He is constructing a double warehouse 160x66 feet, in which crates will be stored. A tram-car track will be run under the shed to facilitate loading crates. The factory has been running on full time this season to meet the demand for its goods."

"Not a Thing Wrong Except—"

[*Lincoln Democrat.*]

The Wilmington STAR was 28½ years old last Sunday. The STAR is the oldest daily paper in the State. There is not a thing in the world wrong with the STAR except it is for free silver. But for all that we wish its editor good luck, hoping he may some day come around all right on that question, too.

One Cent a Word,

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers, who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Housekeepers who want servants are in the habit of supplying their needs from the STAR's want column. Are you looking for a situation? The STAR's want column will bring you the best results. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents tf

A CRISIS IN CUBA.

GOMEZ MARCHING TOWARD HAVANA TO MAKE A DEMONSTRATION IN AID OF ANTONIO MACEO.

The Cubans Concentrating—Unless All Signs Fail There Will Soon Be a Big Battle—Reports That Maceo Is Hard Pressed—Strength of the Cubans and Spaniards.

Present indications point to hot work between the Cuban patriots and their tyrant oppressors at an early day. Butcher Weyler must make a desperate attempt to defeat Maceo, and Gomez must make a desperate attempt to relieve him.

The following from the N. Y. *Herald* is interesting:

HAVANA, April 22.—The insurgents declare that Gomez is on his way east towards Havana province, where he will join the forces led by Jose Maceo, Pancho, Carrillo, Serafin, Sanchez, Mayia, Rodridguez, Aguirre, Lacret, Roque, Nunez, Masso and Parra. These comprise about eighteen thousand men. It is believed that Gomez will make a demonstration this side of the strong line, in order to concentrate the Spanish troops at one point, so that Antonio Maceo may have a chance to break through at another point if he should need food.

Jose Maceo is now at La Salud, Havana province, with 2 500 men. Reports say Pericho Delgado, with 300 men, has crossed the line. He saw the Spanish leaders on this side, then returned without meeting serious opposition

A man who has just arrived here from Pinar del Rio says he heard constantly for three days the roar of cannon and the crack of rifles thirty miles from Bahia Honda, at Cabanas. Residents say that Maceo is hard pressed by the Spanish troops;

The naval general, Navarra, has started the cruiser Marques de Ensenada on a tour of inspection. Fires and small engagements are reported in all sections of the island. The belief is general that a big battle will soon occur in the west.

The exodus from the island continues. The Spanish mail steamer which sailed yesterday had on board 865 passengers, and all the rooms on the next steamer to sail have been engaged.

ESTIMATE OF THE SPANISH AND INSURGENT FORCES WHO MAY SOON MEET.

A careful estimate of the insurgent forces which, it is alleged, are again concentrating in the neighborhood of Havana would give the numbers as about 25,000 men. This includes the forces under the immediate leadership of Antonio Maceo in Pinar del Rio and those under the command of Jose Maceo and Mayia Rodriguez, who have come to his assistance from the east.

In the provinces of Pinar del Rio, Havana and Matanzas are quite a number of comparatively small bands under the leadership of Aguirre, Lacret, Delgado and others, but all told it is hardly probable that the insurgent army now operating in the Occident will aggregate more than 25,000 men. Of this number at least ninety per cent. are fairly well armed with American and Mauser rifles captured from the Spanish, together with other arms which have recently been imported from the United States.

Just how much ammunition is in the hands of this force it is impossible to say, but there is reason to believe that the supply is limited. When Gomez strated on his famous raid into the Occident last fall he had hardly four shots apiece to each man. Quite an amount was captured at the battle of Pelayo, near the Santa Clara border, but this was all consumed in the running fight which was kept up in Matanzas and Havana provinces last winter. On February 1 last one-third of Gomez's command had been carrying empty rifles on their shoulders for more than five weeks. On the 8th of that month Gomez captured a supply train within fifteen miles of the city of Havana and got as a reward twenty-eight thousand rounds, which gave his troops more cartridges than they had before possessed since the beginning of the rebellion. Much of this supply was expended at the battle of Jaruco and the engagements which followed in Matanzas.

At the sacking of Santa Clara City, a few days ago, the much needed ammunition supply was again replenished. This was delivered to Mayia Rodriguez, who, with Jose Maceo, was met coming with an army of fresh troops from the east. The great bulk of the ammunition which has reached Cuba through the *Bermuda* and *Commodore* expeditions was landed on the eastern end of the island and can hardly reach the present seat of war in time for use in the important engagements which are bound to follow the present massing of insurgent forces near the city of Havana.

Opposed to the rebel army, within a hundred miles of the capital, are at least 100,000 Spanish troops, 50,000 entrenched along General Weyler's trocha from Mariel to the south coast, where they propose to prevent Maceo getting out of Pinar del Rio; 20 000, in four commands, who are attempting to get the insurgent General within a deadly quadrangle, and 30,000, in six different columns, constantly traversing the provinces of Havana and Matanzas. The remaining 60,000 Spanish troops are doing garrison duty in the different large cities or are scattered in various commands through the provinces of Santa Clara, Puerto Principe and Santiago de Cuba.

FIGHTING FOR GOLD.

The Administration Influence Is Being Hurled Into the Contest.

[*Washington Star*]

It is said that ex-Secretary Whitney has assumed the management of the campaigns in Illinois, Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana, with the view of preventing these States from sending silver delegates to Chicago. The story is given for what it is worth. It is highly probable, however, that if Mr. Whitney has not himself taken the management he is playing an important part in the way of advice and in furnishing aid. The statement is made that the strongest efforts of the gold men are to be directed to the four States named. Without these States the silver men couldn't get a majority in the National Convention. They must have the votes of at least two of the States. All the administration influence is being hurled into the fight, and missionaries are being sent there in profusion.

The silver men in the four States named declare themselves ready for the contest. The say they will be able to meet and vanquish home and outside influences, and do not care who attempts to conduct the fight against them.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents. tf

THE COTTON SITUATION.

Indications Point to 7,000,000 Bales—Speculations As to the Next Crop—Acreage in Texas to Be Increased About 10 Per Cent.

Clapp & Co., of New York, in their weekly market letter, have this to say about cotton:

Exports continue of late on a larger scale than same time in previous seasons when general conditions appeared about similar. Spinners have bought a little more freely. Old crop futures remain fairly firm at within about forty points of the lowest point on the crop. Outside orders have been generally to sell and for small lots. The amount in sight to date is about 30 per cent. less than last year, indicating that the crop will be about 7,000,000 bales. The people who predicted a crop of only 6 500,000 have learned 6 512,605 bales appeared in sight up to last Saturday, and 4½ months are yet to come in season 1895-'96. Visible stocks decreasing faster than usual. Bombay receipts have been about double those of a year ago, and a million more bales than her ports exported. America has imported over $50,000,000 worth of dry goods since January 1. Fall River stocks last Saturday were 1,554,000 pieces, against 262,000 pieces last year. Prices remain practically 2½ cents for 64 x 64, with demand very small. A cotton grower in South Carolina writes that he will hold his last crop of cotton for 10 cents, or let his executors or administrators sell it. Another says: "Planting has progressed finely, and the outcome indicates a final large acreage and yield equaling any grown." A Texas correspondent says many parties who had predicted a 25 per cent. increase in acreage now look for only about 10 per cent. increase, and that fields are more spotted than usual. Speculation is without feature and generally waiting crop advices, and what will be done with the nearby futures, in this market where manipulation seems apparent. The next change appears likely to show a higher range. Distant or new crop futures make up the great majority of the short interest.

SHOPS WILL BE REBUILT.

The Seaboard Air Line Will Rebuild Their Shops on a Larger Scale at Raleigh.

[*News and Observer*]

The destruction of machinery in the fire at the Seaboard shops Wednesday morning was so complete that there is scarcely a tool or machiny that can ever again be put in operation.

But work has already been resumed. The management of the Seaboard Air Line is not brooding over the conflagration. A temporary shop has been improvised in the old paint shop, and in this nearly forty men went to work yesterday morning. As many more were engaged in clearing away the debris. The walls of the building are intact, and it is stated that new and bigger shops will be immediately rebuilt and that a thoroughly up-to-date machinery equipment will be put in them. Messrs. Whisnant, Gwathney, Reed and Hand were all at the scene of the late conflagration yesterday, and Mr. Reed, the efficient superintendent of motive power of the S. A. L., seemed especially interested in directing the work around the burned building.

The old way of repairing engines in the machine shop was changed some time ago by order of Mr. Reed, and since then the engines have been repaired in their stalls in the round house, and here some two or three of them were undergoing repair when the fire occurred; but for the change these locomotives would doubtless have been destroyed which would have added largely to the loss.

Nothing definite has been heard from headquarters as to the intention of the management, but it is reasonably certain that the shops will be immediately rebuilt and refurnished.

LETTER CARRIERS' SALARIES.

Effect of Speaker Reed's Opposition to the Bill for Their Increase.

[*WashingtonStar*]

It is said to-day that Speaker Reed has incurred the strong displeasure of the letter carriers of the country by declining to consent to give consideration to what is known as the "Sperry bill." This bill has been favorably reported by the House Committee on Postoffices and Postroads. The bill increases the annual salary of letter carriers in the larger cities $300 a year, and those in the smaller cities $150 a year.

Mr. Reed's objection to the consideration of the bill was that it would increase the burdens of the government, taking out of the treasury from a million to a million and a half dollars a year more than now paid to letter carriers.

The National Letter Carriers' Association, a strong organization, is pushing the bill, and is rallying its friends. Another effort will be made to overcome the Speaker's objections and to get consideration for the measure, the friends of which declare that it would pass the House by an overwhelming majority.

The Churches.

Grace Methodist E. Church, South, northeast corner of Grace and Fourth streets, Rev. R. A. Willis, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a m and 8.00 p m. Experience meeting at 10 a m in the lecture room. Sunday school at 3.30 p m. Weekly prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to attend.

Fifth Street M. E. Church South, situated on Fifth street, between Nun and Church, Rev. W. L. Cunninggim, Pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 a. m and 7.45 p. m. by the pastor. Class meeting will be held at 2.30 p m. Sunday School at 4 p. m. The public cordially invited to all services.

Chapel of the Good Shepard, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a m and 8 p. m.

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Respectfully,
Mercer & Evans.
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The Morning Star.

By WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 25, 1896

PLEADING TO THE WORKMAN.

At the instance of the gold standard people of Chicago, Secretary Carlisle was called to make a "sound money" speech to the working men of that city. Of course this was not to be a speech to the working men of Chicago only, but to the working men of the United States, for that speech was intended for wide publication and circulation among them. Doubtless many thousands of copies of it have already been sent out where they would "do the most good," not to speak of the wide publication in the so-called "sound money" papers. This speech while treating the money question in a general way, and also in an exhaustive and thorough way from a gold standard standpoint, and ably, too, as might be expected from such a gifted speaker as Secretary Carlisle, with his advantage in being in a position where he could command unlimited statistics bearing upon his subject, was substantially a plea to the working people and was especially addressed to them, as may be seen from the following extract which voices the motive that brought him to Chicago on that mission:

> "Labor cannot be hoarded; the idle day is gone forever; lost wages are never reimbursed; and, therefore, steady employment and good pay in good money are essential to the comfort and happiness of the American laborer and his wife and children, and he will be unfaithful to himself and them if he does not insist upon the adoption and maintenance of such a policy as will most certainly preserve the value and stability of all currency and promote the regular and profitable conduct of all our industrial enterprises."

Every word of this is true. No one is more interested in having sound money, money that can be depended upon, and in the maintenance of a policy which will promote industrial enterprise, ensure the workman work, and promote the general prosperity than the working man, but the application in this instance was not pertinent, for Secretary Carlisle contends that all this depends upon the maintenance of the gold standard, and the perpetuation of the present monetary system, eliminating the greenback, the existence of which disturbs Secretary Carlisle's slumbers. Mr. Carlisle inflated his balloon and this is the way the Washington *Times*, an independent gold paper, ran its little knife into it and ripped it up:

> Good money is that which creates prosperity and which is accepted and and freely circulated as a medium for the exchange of commodities and in the payment of labor. Until the present business depression it was generally believed that we had that kind of money, and it was not until the hoarding process began and the gold gamblers commenced their disastrous greenback speculation that either the quality or volume of our money was seriously questioned. When Secretary Carlisle took possession of the Treasury he announced that the policy of greenback redemption in gold would be continued only until the reserve was exhausted, when silver payments would be made. This assertion brought a prompt contradictory order from President Cleveland, who emphatically declared that the credit of the nation would be maintained at all hazards, and gold redemption would be made even at the expense of bond sales.
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> "Under this 'sound money' policy the national debt during the last three years has increased $527,189,017, the business depression still continues and wage earners are beginning to discover that something must be done to stop this everlasting talk about finances or their condition will become even worse than it is at present. President Cleveland's 'sound money' policy has not only forced this enormous debt on the country, but it has also turned our markets and transportation lines over to powerful combines, and instead of being better the situation is actually very much worse, as far as prosperity is concerned, than it was when he stepped into the White House. In view of these facts the sound money argument of Secretary Carlisle should not have much weight with working people."

We have great respect for Secretary Carlisle as a man of distinguished ability and of unquestioned integrity, and we do him the simple justice to believe that he is actuated by a desire to do what he believes to be the best for the country in his zealous advocacy of the cause he has espoused, although it is in such striking contrast to the position he occupied in 1878 when the gold men were warring against silver as they are now, but while we believe this we also believe that no two living men are as responsible for the unhappy condition of affairs in this country to-day, financially and industrially, as John G. Carlisle and Grover Cleveland.

It will be remembered, as stated in the above extract, that when the raids on the Treasury began shortly after the repeal of the purchase clause of the Sherman act, Secretary Carlisle announced that he would pay out gold until that was exhausted and then he would fall back on the silver in the Treasury. This announcement was published broadcast, but was shortly afterwards explained to be an error or a misunderstanding of what he did say. Right there he made his first and fatal blunder in swallowing his words at the solicitation of the money syndicates who brought pressure to bear upon him for that purpose or through some other persuasive influence. Whether President Cleveland had any agency in securing the denial of that announcement we do not know, but his firm adherence to the gold standard justifies the belief that the denial of the statement pleased him more than the utterance. If Secretary Carlisle had stood firm and planted himself on the announcement, and President Cleveland had stood behind him and given him his hearty co-operation and the Treasury raiders to understand that such was to be the unalterable policy of his administration—to redeem Government obligations in "coin," in gold when the Treasury had it, in silver when it did not have gold, that would have been the end of the Treasury raiding, there would have been no issuing of bonds and we would not now be listening to loud inveighing against the greenback "endless chain." The penalty we have been forced to pay for that exhibition of vacillating weakness, that lack of nerve, that surrender to the gold mongers and desertion of the people, has been hoarded money, prostration of business, financial agitation and unrest, repeated, continuous and merciless raiding of the Treasury, and the issuing of $250,000,000 of interest-bearing bonds to be saddled upon the country in addition to its present debt. A breastwork of silver dollars would have been a better protection against the raiders than a park of Gatlin guns. Secretary Carlisle and President Cleveland both lost the opportunity of their lives to stand between the Treasury and the plunderers, to put an end to the Treasury raiding and show themselves the true friends of the people and of the workmen to whom Secretary Carlisle appealed in his Chicago speech.

MINOR MENTION.

It is interesting to note the manœvring of the Republican platform builders these days and the labored efforts that some of them are making to play into the hands of the yellow metal men and the white metal men, and to bag the stragglers. For an omnium gatherum the platform adopted by the Republican convention at Harrisburg, Pa., Thursday, is unique and a daisy, in which the deft Italian hand of Senator Quay may be seen without the X ray. As reported it favors protection, reciprocity, liberal pensions, discriminating duties in favor of American shipping, and restriction of immigration. The only new feature in this is the interest shown in American shipping which is now beginning to attract attention in this country, but a subject in which the Republican statesmen and platform builders have heretofore taken very little interest. Coming to the money question, which is now the absorbing one, it favors international bimetallism, which means the free coinage of silver on international agreement, but until that can be secured opposes the coinage of silver except upon Government account, (sop to the silver men) and demands the maintenance of the existing gold standard of value, (sop to the gold men.) But they clear forgot to say anything about the expansion of the volume of currency by the United States Government until it reached at least $40 *per capita*, for which a vigorous demand was made in the platform adopted about a year ago. Aside from the international bimetallic straddle in this part of the platform the notable feature is that in opposing the coinage of silver until international agreement be secured, it excepts silver "coined on Government account." There is a large-sized cat in that meal tub. If they can get that incorporated into the national platform, with bimetallic trimmings, it will give them a chance to tell the silver men that they are in favor of limited coinage, on some plan like the Sherman act, which would practically consume for coinage all the American silver not required in the arts. This would be right cute if there hadn't been so much trickery in dealing with this matter, and it was not so easy to see see through it.

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General Weyler is becoming famous as a proclamation fulminator. He has unbounded confidence in trochas and proclamations. But he began to issue his proclamations before he began to build his trochas, and he didn't begin to build these until that saucy Maceo grew so familiar and got in the habit of coming too close to Havana. Then Weyler struck on the idea of building some dirt fences which he thought Maceo's fellows couldn't break through or scale. The first thing he did after he got out of his ship was to begin issuing proclamations, every one of which was worded to inspire terror in the insurgents. But they didn't scare worth a cent; on the contrary Weyler's proclamations amused those of them who have a sense of the ridiculous and made the others mad. Time and experience modified Weyler's proclamations, and in each succeeding one he extended the time in which the insurgents might come into camp, lay down their arms and be forgiven. And every one of these exposed more and more the weakness of Weyler. After he got his trocha built he issued another proclamation, giving them twenty days (twice as long as he first allowed) to come in and surrender, with a promise that they wouldn't be shot or garroted; but reserved the right for the military authorities to decide where those who surrender shall reside, which means that the military authorities may select their victims and decide whether they shall "reside" for life in prison, in some penal settlement or be banished. There are not many insurgents who would, even if they were tired of fighting and discouraged by that clay fence that Weyler has built, be idiots enough to surrender on these terms.

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The gold standard Democratic papers now generally concede that there will be a decisive free silver majority of delegates in the Chicago convention, but notwithstanding this they make bold to declare that the silver men will not be in it, so to speak, and that a "sound money" (by which they mean gold) platform will be adopted, and, of course, a 'sound money" candidate nominated for the President, for if the gold men, although in the minority, can make the platform they can also name the candidate, and send the free silver fellows to grass. By what particular process this remarkable achievement is to be accomplished is not stated nor even intimated, although we rather suspect that they are calculating on legerde-main, or wholesale hypnotizing as we see they have secured the services of Professor Brice, who at "great personal sacrifice," has postponed his arranged excursion to Europe to perform at Chicago. It is also semi-officially announced that he will be ably assisted by Professor Gorman, of Maryland, who at earnest solicitation has consented to perform for a few days only. Perhaps this is another of the "surprises" which we referred to a short time ago as down on the gold men's programme, which is, however, for the present carefully withheld from the public. If they succeed in this then there will be no occasion for bolting and going into business for themselves, as some of the gold organs have advised in the event the silver forces control the convention.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Dr. Depew should be careful with his Grover Cleveland compliments. It will be recalled that in the campaign of 1892 he had some difficulty in explaining his "typical American" allusion.—*Washington Post, Ind.*

—— It is an easy matter for the partisans of the robber dollar to make bold assertions that are contrary to facts. Rule assumption and falsification out of the discussion and the most eloquent advocate of the gold standard would stand dumb at the very beginning of a debate.—*Atlanta Constitution, Dem.*

—— The 400 miles of railroad between St. Petersburg and Moscow, over which the Czar and Czarina will ride to the coronation, will be carefully guarded by a line of soldiers. It is likely, to, that, as a precaution against powder, the bejeweled crown will be soaked over night in a bucket of water before being placed on the royal brow. It must be a great satisfaction for a divine ruler to feel that he has the love and esteem of his subjects.—*New York Commercial Advertiser Rep.*

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Dr. Miles' Nervine strengthens the weak, builds up the broken down constitution, and permanently cures every kind of nervous disease.

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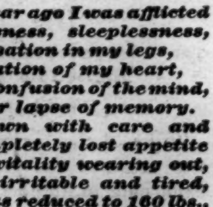

A friend brought me Dr. Miles' book, "New and Startling Facts," and I finally decidde to try a bottle of DR. MILES' Restorative Nervine. Before I had taken one bottle I could sleep as well as a 10-yr.-old boy. My appetite returned greatly increased.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Laurinburg *Exchange*: Mr. A. B. Shaw lost his barn, 9 mules, one horse and large lot of corn, fodder, wagons and farm implements by fire last Wednesday night about 8 o'clock. The loss will amount to something like $25,000. No insurance. The fire was a mystery and can not be accounted for.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: We understand that several capitalists are now interesting themselves in completing the Aberdeen Railroad to Fayetteville. This scheme has been agitated for years but it seems at last to be taking tangible shape. Fayetteville voted $20,000 for this purpose some time back, but the scheme received no encouragement from the section through which it was to pass.

— Rocky Mount *Phœnix*: There was in Bertie county, in the neighborhood known as "Indian Woods," quite a curiosity; it was one tree growing in another, forming a perfect gallows, which is said to have been used by the Indians for hanging purposes. The tree stood on land belonging to Mr. J. P. Rascoe. Mr. Rascoe has recently had them cut down, as they were decaying, and intends having some articles of furniture made of them to preserve the wood.

— Dunn *Union*: The coroner's jury at the inquest and post mortem examination held over the body of John McLean, the boy who was murdered near Lillington some time ago, returned a verdict that the boy came to his death by the hands of one Jim Stewart, colored, and his son, a boy about 12 years of age. Jim Stewart and his son have been arrested and are held in Lillington jail for murdering the boy. The post mortem examination showed that the boy's neck was broken and his body fearfully scalded with hot water. Stewart was an uncle of the murdered boy, who was living with him because he was an orphan and had no home, his mother having died several weeks ago.

— Raleigh *Press*: The latest in political circles is that ex-Judge Russell has pledged the postmastership of Raleigh to Jim Young. Talking with one of the leading Republicans in the State, who is on a visit here, he said that he knew this promise was absolutely made to Jim by the Judge in order for him to get the former's support. He says that it was a mistake about his promising Jim the private secretaryship. It will be remembered that Jim abused Judge Russell for a number of years and was hardly on speaking terms with him until the occurrence of some recent events. —— One of the largest revenue hauls ever made in the State occurred yesterday near Salisbury. Twenty five barrels of whiskey was taken. Several barrels could not be removed and was destroyed.

— Tarboro *Southerner*: There was on exhibition on our streets last Saturday quite a curiosity in the form of a negro boy, whose shape and general appearance conform in every particular to that of a frog. This boy was born at Bear's Garden, Edgecombe county, in 1879. On account of his unfortunate condition, his mother kept him confined and did not disclose his existence for ten years. His condition was supposed to have been brought about by fright at a frog when his mother was pregnant. His mother has six children besides him, and they are all in good health and have every sign of being well developed. This human freak has a head twenty-three inches around and is remarkably bright. He has musical talent and learns easily. He walks on his elbows and rolls on the ground like a ball. He has been known to go two or three miles a day over ploughed ground. His legs are badly deformed. In them are the bones, but in the hips no bone can be found. He can put his feet back of his head and rest them easily in almost any position. When sitting erect, his feet are under him like a frog. He cannot stand alone. In fact, his feet and legs are useless. This boy is a wonderful piece of humanity and a fit subject for any museum. Mr. J. B. Keech will take the boy to New York in a week or two to place him in a museum. He has had several offers.

TWINKLINGS.

— Gentlemanly.— The Sheriff — You say that fellow who broke jail left a message behind?

The Keeper—Yes, sir; here it is on this paper. 'Excuse the liberty I take?"—*Truth.*

— Teacher—Now, Patsy, would it be proper to say "You can't learn me nothing?"

Patsy—Yis'm.

Teacher—Why?

Patsy—Cause yer can't.—*Leslie's Weekly.*

— Customer—Are these eggs fresh, waiter?

Waiter—Can't you tell?

Customer—No.

Waiter—Then what difference does it make?—*New York Evening World.*

— Well Qualified—"Is dis where dey want a boy?"

"It is; but it must be a boy who never utters an untruth and does not use slang or swear."

"Well, me brudder's a deaf mute. I'll send 'im 'round."—*Life.*

— In the Near Future: Lawyer—"I now offer in evidence a photograph of the broken heart of the plaintiff, taken by the Roentgen process."

Judge—"Admitted. Let it be marked 'Exhibit X.'"—*Puck.*

— Misunderstood—Fiancee—"O, Charley, I love you so much. You are all I have in this world."

He—"My gracious! If this is so, I will have to break our engagement."—*Texas Siftings.*

A Bother All Round.

The neighbor leaned upon her garden rake and called over the fence:

"I noticed a light in your house last night, Mr. Bimley," she said. "Are your baby's teeth bothering him again?"

"Don't know how much they're bothering him," he answered shortly, "but they're bothering the life out of me."—Rockland Tribune.

He Wants His Share First.

A wealthy Birmingham man, who made most of his fortune manufacturing idols for the people of India to use in worship, is going to give a handsome sum of money after his death to help the missionaries in India make war against idol worship.—New York Tribune.

Four Feet In the Air.

It is a mistake to suppose that a trotting horse always has one foot on the ground. Instantaneous photography has proved that a horse at full trot has all four feet in the air at certain points in its progress.

MAKE ME STEADFAST

Every one said that it was an absurd engagement. Every one pointed out with the air of having made the discovery himself that Laura Clayton and John Baxter were totally unsuited to each other. Old Mrs. Baxter spoke of it to her son with conviction, and Mrs. Clayton suggested it to her daughter delicately, as her manner was.

"What on earth would your father have said, John?" demanded his mother fiercely. "Is she intended for a country minister's wife? Look at the way she dresses! Look at her hair, done in the latest waves and knots! Look at her hands! I don't want to say anything against your happiness, John, but she's a butterfly! She has no stability of character! I'm even afraid that when the first glamour"—

Then John interposed with a few remarks which sent his mother from his study more than ever inclined to find fault with Laura Clayton.

What Mrs. Clayton said was:

"Darling, I don't wonder you are in love with John. He is the dearest boy and the best—so stanch, so true—I shall never worry about you. At least not so far as John is concerned."

"I see," laughed Laura. "You're afraid that I'll long for the fleshpots of Egypt, aren't you? And that I'll be the one to grow tired? When I'm the most constant person on earth, too, mamma!"

"Solid as ocean foam," quoted Mrs. Clayton, smiling and sighing a little. "Laura, dearest child, I don't want to croak, but are you sure you know your own heart? The Claytons—well"—she sighed again—"the Claytons are not cut out of granite. And you're a thorough Clayton, dear."

So it was that even their own households had doubts about the engagement of the young people. Every one knew that John Baxter stood for Puritan high mindedness and singleness of aim and heart, and every one knew that Laura Clayton with all her charm was a dancing sunbeam—never long still—that is, every one except John. Laura knew it. She felt her own unworthiness keenly enough without being told of it as frequently as she was. She humbled herself in her praying and asked daily to be made steadfast and good "like him," her petitions ran. Meantime there were those who were willing to wager on the breaking of the engagement before the end of the year, for John was to go to his first parish in a small town in another state, and the skeptical smiled at the thought of Laura Clayton's remaining of the same mind for a year.

At first the young woman behaved admirably. She eschewed gayety, and almost her only dissipations were afternoon musicales and teas. She wrote to John every day, and she slept with his latest letter beneath her pillow every night. She continued to pray for steadfastness and goodness "like his." Then, at the end of two months, Laura suddenly plunged into gayety again.

"My dearest mother," she said to her remonstrating parent, "I am not a Hindoo widow. I am not even married. When I am, I shall do exactly as John wishes. Meantime I shall not drive myself to suicide by never having any fun. You know I never see a man!"

"No," said Mrs. Clayton sweetly, "Arthur Holbrooke is rather a boy."

"I've known him since I was a baby."

"With the exception of the last four years, during which he has been away."

"Do you mean to say you think I'm flirting? Doesn't Arthur know of my engagement? Doesn't John know every time I see Arthur? You are horrid to me, mamma."

"My dear," sighed poor Mrs. Clayton, "I beg your pardon for seeming to interfere. I only want you to do nothing that you'll regret."

Whereupon Miss Laura flounced out of the room and wept over John's fortunately glass incased photograph for awhile. Then she went to walk with Arthur Holbrooke and told him her theories concerning friendship between men and women.

Meantime Mrs. Baxter wrote letters.

The more Laura found companionship of one sort and another essential to her happiness the more she despised the light nature she had always been credited with and the more ardently she desired those severe, Spartan virtues which her lover possessed. She grew morbid in the desire to be like him. She distrusted her most fleeting interests, her most cursory fancies. She strove with all the force of her undisciplined nature to make herself a person of one idea, and failing signally she condemned herself. Her letters to John were strange, self accusatory affairs which, added to his mother's epistles, destroyed the young man's peace of mind most effectually. Relying on his own strength of character, never doubting for an instant the unshakable nature of his regard for Laura, he began going for temporary comfort to one Miss Dorothea Granby, a member of his altar guild, and a girl rather given to wearing silver crosses and other ecclesiastical jewelry.

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"Why doesn't Arthur Holbrooke come here any longer?" demanded Mrs. Clayton of her daughter one day.

Laura looked up strangely white and weary.

"I sent him away," she said indifferently.

"My dear! Then it came to that?"

"Yes."

"Are you regretting it, Laura, dear?" asked her mother gently.

"No."

"You didn't care for him?"

"No."

"I am so glad. Poor boy!" remarked Mrs. Clayton. "But, darling, you must not send him away out of a mistaken sense of loyalty. It would be a wrong to John, you know"—

"Don't," cried Laura, burying her face in her hands, and then she handed her mother a letter.

John released her from the engagement which all reports, her own included, agreed to be an irksome one to her. John begged her not to blame herself. It had been a mistake on both sides. He was more to blame than she, and Dorothea Granby had helped him to discover his fault.

That night, when she prayed, unconsciously the old prayer rose to her lips, "Make me steadfast and good, like him," she whispered, and then, remembering, she buried her face in the coverlid and cried.—New York World.

What He Admired.

"What did father say when you asked him for my hand?" asked the young woman.

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"What do you go to give?"

"I go to leave an empty basket at the door and the lantern that the shopkeeper set in the hands of the peddler."—Andrew Lang in Longman's Magazine.

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Article	Price
BAGGING—	
2-lb Jute	[illegible] 5¼
Standard	[illegible] 6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—	
Hams ℔	[illegible] 14
Sides ℔	[illegible] 7¾
Shoulders ℔	[illegible] 7
DRY SALTED—	
Sides ℔	[illegible] 5¼
Shoulders ℔	[illegible] 4¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—	
Second-hand, each	[illegible] 1 10
New New York, each	[illegible] 1 40
New City, each	[illegible] 1 40
BEESWAX ℔	[illegible] 27
BRICKS—	
Wilmington, ℔ M	[illegible] 7 00
Northern	9 00 @ 14 00
BUTTER—	
North Carolina, ℔ ℔	[illegible]
Northern	[illegible]
CORN MEAL—	
Per bushel, in sacks	[illegible]
Virginia Meal	[illegible]
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	[illegible]
CANDLES—℔ ℔	
Sperm	[illegible]
Adamantine	[illegible]
CHEESE—℔ ℔	
Northern Factory	[illegible]
Dairy, Cream	[illegible]
State	[illegible]
COFFEE—℔ ℔	
Laguyra	[illegible]
Rio	[illegible]
DOMESTICS—	
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	[illegible]
Yarns, ℔ bunch	[illegible]
EGGS—℔ dozen	[illegible]
FISH	
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	[illegible]
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-barrel	[illegible]
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	[illegible]
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ half-barrel	[illegible]
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	[illegible]
Mullets, ℔ barrel	[illegible]
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	[illegible]
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	[illegible]
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	[illegible]
Extra	[illegible]
FLOUR—℔ barrel—	
Low grade	[illegible]
Choice	[illegible]
Straight	[illegible]
First Patent	[illegible]
GLUE—℔ ℔	[illegible]
GRAIN—℔ bushel—	
Corn, from store, bags—White	[illegible]
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White	[illegible]
Corn, cargo, in bags—White	[illegible]
Oats, from store	[illegible]
Oats, Rust Proof	[illegible]
Cow Peas	[illegible]
HIDES, ℔ ℔—	
Green	[illegible]
Dry	[illegible]
HAY, ℔ 100 lbs—	
Eastern	[illegible]
Western	[illegible]
North River	[illegible]
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	[illegible]
LARD, ℔ ℔—	
Northern	[illegible]
North Carolina	[illegible]
LIME, ℔ barrel	[illegible]
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M feet—	
Ship Stuff, resawed	[illegible]
Rough-Edge Plank	[illegible]
West India cargoes, according to quality	[illegible]
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	[illegible]
Scantling and Board, common	[illegible]
MOLASSES, ℔ gallon—	
New Crop Cuba, in hhds	[illegible]
in bbls	[illegible]
Porto Rico, in hhds	[illegible]
in bbls	[illegible]
Sugar-House, in hhds	[illegible]
in bbls	[illegible]
Syrup, in bbls	[illegible]
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	[illegible]
PORK, ℔ barrel—	
City Mess	[illegible]
Rump	[illegible]
Prime	[illegible]
ROPE, ℔ ℔	[illegible]
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	[illegible]
Liverpool	[illegible]
Lisbon	[illegible]
American	[illegible]
On 125 ℔ Sacks	[illegible]
SHINGLES, ℔ M—	
Common	[illegible]
Cypress Saps	[illegible]
Cypress Hearts	[illegible]
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	[illegible]
Standard A	[illegible]
White Ex. C	[illegible]
Extra C, Golden	[illegible]
C Yellow	[illegible]
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	[illegible]
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	[illegible]
R. O. Hogshead	[illegible]
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	[illegible]
Mill, Prime	[illegible]
Mill, Fair	[illegible]
Common Mill	[illegible]
Inferior to Ordinary	[illegible]
TALLOW, ℔ ℔	[illegible]
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon—Northern	[illegible]
North Carolina	[illegible]
WOOL, ℔ ℔—Washed	[illegible]
Clear of burs	[illegible]
Burry	[illegible]

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, April 24.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Steady at 25 cents per gallon for country and 25½ cents for machine-made casks.

ROSIN—Market steady at $1 45 per bbl for Strained, and $1 50 for Good Strained.

TAR.—Market steady at 90 cents per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Quiet. Hard 1.30, Yellow Dip 1.70, Virgin 1.90 per barrel.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 27½c; rosin, strained, $1 15; good strained $1 20; tar $1 05; crude turpentine $1 20, 1 90, 2 40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	140
Rosin	410
Tar	86
Crude Turpentine	21

Receipts same day last year—35 casks spirits turpentine, 117 bbls rosin, 131 bbls tar, 65 bbls crude turpentine.

PEANUTS.

North Carolina—Prime, 45@50c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60@65c.

Virginia—Extra Prime, 60@65c; Fancy, 65@70c.

COTTON MARKET.

Market firm on a basis of 7⅝c for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5¼	cts ℔ ℔
Good Ordinary	6½	" "
Low Middling	7 3-16	" "
Middling	7⅝	" "
Good Middling	7 15-16	" "

Same day last year, middling 6⅛c.

Receipts—120 bales; same day last year, 204.

COTTON AND NAVAL STORES.

WEEKLY STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

For week ended April 25, 1896.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
1,091	373	1,936	299	71

RECEIPTS.

For week ended April 25, 1895.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
311	442	2,243	817	192

EXPORTS.

For week ended April 24, 1896.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	700	597	113	1,070	46
Foreign	000	000	7,299	000	00
	700	597	7,412	1,070	46

EXPORTS.

For week ended April 25, 1895.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	821	261	327	409	46
Foreign	00	0.0	0.0	000	00
	821	261	327	409	47

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, April 24, 1896.

	Ashore.	Afloat.	Total.
Cotton	4,945	112	5,057
Spirits	1,092	19	1,111
Rosin	31,699	4,318	35,017
Tar	9,347	3,300	12,647
Crude	880	00	880

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, April 25, 1895.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
17,761	698	11,243	10,171	739

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Evening—Money on call was easy at 2@3 cent., last loan at 2½, and closing offered at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange was steady; actual business in bankers' bills 487⅛@487⅜ for sixty days and 488⅛@488⅜ for demand. Commercial bills at 486½@487¼. Government bonds firm; United States coupon fours 109⅛; United States twos 95. State bonds quiet; North Carolina fours 103; North Carolina sixes 122½. Railroad bonds were easier.

Silver at the Stock Exchange to-day was dull.

COMMERCIAL.

NEW YORK, April 24—Evening.—Cotton quiet; middling gulf 8 5-16c; middling uplands 8 1-16c.

Cotton futures closed barely steady; April 7 80, May 7 81, June, 7 84, July 7 82, August 7 79. September 7 40, October 7 27, November 7 15, December 7 15, January 7 21. Sales 144,500 bales.

Cotton—net — bales; gross receipts 407 bales; exports to Great Britain —— bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent —— bales; forwarded 17 bales; sales 651 sales bales, to spinners 351 bales; stock (actual) 146,735 bales.

Weekly—Net receipts 2,363 bales; gross 10,696 bales; exports to Great Britain 9,150 bales; to France 144 bales; to the Continent 2,771 bales; forwarded 9,094 bales; sales 5,095 bales; sales to spinners 1,795 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 13,774 bales; exports to Great Britain 20,770 bales; to France —— bales; to the Continent 5,353 bales; stock 459,919 bales.

Total so far this week—Net receipts 52,620 bales; exports to Great Britain 54,695 bales; to France 144 bales; to the Continent 27,009 bales.

Total since September 1—Net receipts 4,927,579 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,999,073 bales; exports to France 443,886 bales; exports to the Continent 1,577,785 bales.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Flour was dull, steady and unchanged; Southern flour was quiet; common to extra fair $2 40@3 00; good to choice $3 00@3 30. Wheat—spot dull and firmer; No. 2 red in store and at elevator nominal; afloat nominal; options declined ⅛@⅜c, rallied ⅝@1c and closed firm at ⅛@⅜c advance; No. 2 red April 72⅜c; May 71⅝c; June 71⅜; July 71⅜; August 71⅜; September 71⅝c; December 71⅜c. Corn—spot was dull and firm; No. 2 at elevator 39c; afloat 40c; options dull and firm at ⅛@⅜c advance; April 36⅛c; May 36⅛c; July 36⅞c; August — c; September 38. Oats—spot less active and firm; options dull and firm; May 24⅞c; July 24⅝; spot prices—No. 2 25⅛@25⅜c, No. 2 white 26⅛c; mixed Western 25@26⅛c. Hay steady in moderate demand and unchanged. Wool in moderate demand and unchanged. Beef dull and unchanged; beef hams quiet at $14 50@15 00; tierced beef quiet and easy; city extra India mess $14 00@15 50. Cut meats dull, steady and unchanged. Lard quiet and firmer; Western steam $5 15; city $4 65; May $5 20; refined lard was slow; Continent $5 55; South America $5 85; compound $4 25@4 50. Pork dull but steady and unchanged; old mess $9 00@9 50; new $10 00@10 25. Butter firm for fancy, in good demand and unchanged. Eggs quiet; fancy steady and unchanged. Tallow steady; city 3⅛c; country 3⅜@3½c. Cotton seed oil steady, quiet and unchanged. Rice in moderate demand and unchanged. Molasses firm and unchanged. Peanuts were unchanged and quiet; fancy hand-picked 4⅜@5c. Coffee dull and 10 to 20 points down; May $12 85@12 95, July $12 45@12 60; September $11 55@11 65; December $10 95@11 00; March $10 85; spot Rio dull but steady; No. 7 $13 75. Sugar—raw dull but steady; fair refining 3⅛@3⅜c; centrifugal, 96 test 4 15-16c; refined quiet, steady and unchanged.

CHICAGO, April 24.—Cash quotations: Flour quiet, steady; prices unchanged. Wheat—No. 2 spring 63⅛@64c; No. 2 red 65⅛@68c. Corn—No. 2 29⅛@29⅜. Oats—No. 2, 19⅛@19⅜. Mess pork, per bbl, $8 55@8 60. Lard, per 100 lbs $4 87½@4 90. Short rib sides, loose, per 100 lbs. $4 25@4 30. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, per 100 lbs $4 50@4 62½. Short clear sides, boxed, per 100 lbs, $4 87½@4 50. Whiskey, per gallon, $1 22.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing. Wheat—No. 2 63⅛, 63⅝, 62⅞, 63⅛; May 63⅜@63⅝, 64, 62⅞, 63⅜; July 64⅛, 64⅝, 63⅛, 63⅞. Corn—April 29⅜, 29⅜@29⅝, 29⅜, 29⅝; May 29⅝, 29¾@29⅞, 29¾, 29⅞, 29¾c; July 30⅝, 31, 30⅝, 30⅝c; September 30⅞, 31⅜, 31⅛, 31⅜c. Oats—May 19⅛, 19⅛, 19, 19c; July 19⅝@19⅞, 19⅞, 19½, 19½c; September 20⅛, 20⅜, 20⅛, 20⅛c. Mess pork, per bbl, May $8 55, 8 60, 8 50, 8 57½; July $8 75, 8 77½, 8 67½, 8 77½. Lard, per 100 lbs, May $4 85, 4 90, 4 85, 4 90; July $5 00, 5 02½, 5 00, 5 02½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $4 37½, 4 39½, 4 35, 4 37½; July $4 42½, 4 45, 4 40, 4 45.

BALTIMORE, April 24.—Flour firm. Wheat steady. No. 2 red spot 70@70¼c; May 69⅝@69¾c; July 69⅝@69⅞c. Southern wheat by sample 74@75c; do on grade 70@73c. Corn firm; mixed spot and April 35⅛@35⅜c; May 35⅜@35½c; June 35⅝c bid; July 36⅛@36¼c. Steamer mixed 34⅛@34⅜c; Southern white 35⅜@36c; do yellow 37½c bid. Oats firm; No. 2 white Western 26@26½c; No. 2 mixed do 24⅛@25c.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

April 24—Galveston, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 1,880 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7⅝c, net receipts 407 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¼, net receipts 436 bales, Boston steady at 8 1-16, net receipts 369 bales; Wilmington, firm at 7⅝, net receipts 893 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 8 5-16c, net receipts 111 bales; Savannah, quiet at 7⅝c, net receipts 970 bales, New Orleans, steady at 7 11-16c net receipts 1,291 bales; Mobile, quiet at 7⅝c, net receipts 201 bales; Memphis, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 217 bales; Augusta, quiet at 7⅝c, net receipts 39 bales; Charleston, steady at 7⅝, net receipts 84 bales.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, April 24.—12.30 P. M.—Cotton market quiet and prices unchanged. American middling 4 13 64d. Sales 8,000 bales, of which 7400 were American; speculation and export 500. Receipts 15,100 bales all of which were American. Futures opened quiet and demand moderate. American middling (l m c) April 4 19-64d; April and May 4 19 64d; May and June 4 18 64d; June and July 4 16-64d; July and August 4 15-64d; September and October 4 3 64d; October and November 3 62-64d; November and December 3 60-64d; December and January 3 60-64d; January and February 3 61-64@3 60 64d. Futures quiet.

Tenders of cotton for delivery to-day were 2,400 bales new dockets, and 100 bales old dockets.

4 P. M.—American middling (l m c) Cotton—April 4 19-64@4 20-64d seller; April and May 4 19 64d seller; May and June 4 18 64d buyer; June and July 4 16 64d; July and August 4 15 64d buyer; August and September 4 12-64d seller; September and October 4 3 64d value; October and November 3 62 64d seller; November and December 3 60 64d seller; December and January 3 60-64d seller; January and February 3 60 64d buyer. Futures closed steady.

LIVERPOOL, April 24.—The following are the weekly cotton statistics: Total sales of the week 53,000 bales, American 47,000; trade takings, including forwarded from ships' side, 61,000; actual exports 3,000; total imports 46,000; American 43,000; total stocks 1,161,000; American 992,000; total afloat 95,000; American 75,000; speculators took 800; exporters took 700.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Am str Maverick, 1,118 tons, Rubello, Philadelphia, Standard Oil Co.

Swedish barque Hans, 618 tons, Lenander, Bristol, Paterson, Downing & Co.

Str Geo W Clyde, Chichester, Georgetown, H G Smallbones.

CLEARED.

Schr Anna V Lamson, Dale, Hartford, Conn, Geo Harriss, Son & Co; cargo by Saxapahaw Lumber Co.

Rus barque Agda, Landstrom, Garston, Eng, Paterson, Downing & Co.

Brig Moss Glenn, Iverson, Barbadoes, E Kidder's Son.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

GARSTON—Rus barque Agda—3,196 bbls rosin.

BARBADOES—Brig Moss Glenn—108,630 ft lumber; 93,725 shingles.

COASTWISE.

HARTFORD—Schr A V Lamson—271,404 ft lumber.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., April 25, 1896.

SCHOONERS.

Isaiah K Stetson, 388 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Emma S. Cahoon, 60 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Santa Anna Maria (Ital), Lavadere, E Peschau & Co.

Oxo (Nor), 580 tons, Danielson, Heide & Co.

River Thames (Nor), 454 tons, Jas T Riley & Co.

Eugene (Nor), 508 tons, Hansen, Jas T Riley & Co.

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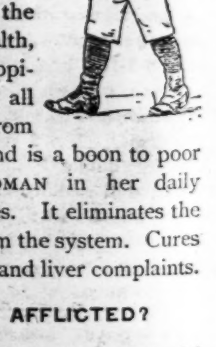

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The seaweeds mat the sluggish channel's edges.
The sand flat twinkles in the summer sun,
And fishes flap and spatter in the sedges.

Far off across the dunes there comes the sound
Of lazy surges droning on the shingle.
My boat drifts idly, swinging half aground—
Then bickering gulls their raucous voices mingle.

For all has changed, and to the harbor bar
Has come a secret message from the ocean.
A thousand hurrying ripples speed from afar,
And all the waters waken into motion.

—Lark.

DIPLOMATIC HASH.

Lady Whichels was thinking. A letter lay in her lap, and her correspondent was her son—not the baronet, but his brother Bertie—who had written to say that he meant to run down to see her the same evening.

She knew what he was coming for perfectly well. Rumors of his infatuation had already reached her. He was coming to tell her that he was engaged to marry Miss Daisy Dornton, who sang for a couple of pounds a week in the chorus of the Coronet theater. Lady Whichels groaned, and her lips were pursed in annoyance.

"Your brother is an idiot, Philip!" she said sharply to a young man who entered the room a moment later. "He is the worst kind of an idiot, for he is not only idiotic, he is pigheaded."

Sir Philip Whichels twirled his mustache and grinned.

"Has the climax arrived?" he asked. "What is the matter?"

"Bertie will be with us today. He 'wants to see me on a matter of importance.' The matter is, of course, that he has proposed to that creature and has been accepted, and now he is coming to try to gain my consent.

"Advise me, Philip," she said, "how to bring this ninny to his senses."

"I'm sure I don't know what you can do," Sir Philip replied. "If you bully him, he'll marry her tomorrow. If you cajole him, he'll try to bully you. I don't see what you can do, upon my soul. It is a cul-de-sac."

The lady, however, was not disposed to be beaten so easily. It was 10 o'clock, and the fiance might be expected at the Firs by the express train which reached Threegates at 4:15. Six hours for meditation, and in six hours an idea might occur to her. The post lay on the table beside her unheeded, and beating a devil's tattoo on her dress, she sat staring out at the lawn with puckered brows. The baronet meanwhile had lounged out into the kennels, and presently she uttered an exclamation and dispatched a servant to fetch him.

"Philip," she exclaimed, "I have a notion at last. The Miss—Miss Dornton is, of course, 'impossible.' There can be no question about that. It is only necessary to make Bertie see it."

Philip, who had been amusing himself outside and did not relish having been brought in so summarily, murmured something to the effect that to "make him see it" was the original difficulty.

"I know all that," said Lady Whichels impatiently, "but I know also how to do it now. She is, of course, gauche, awkward and as ignorant as she can be. He has seen her with the glamour of the footlights on her and in the poky little lodgings where she lives. Now he shall see her here! I shall invite her down to stay with us and ask a lot of people to meet her. Bertie is not brilliant, but he is as sensitive as a girl. When Miss Dornton has committed half a dozen solecisms, and he feels that people are ridiculing her, he will be as anxious to break his engagement off as I am to see it broken."

"By Jove!" said Philip, "you ought to have been a diplomatist, mother."

"It is good, isn't it?" said Lady Whichels complacently. "I felt there must be a way out, and now I've found it. I think your brother will be rather astonished by my reception of his news this afternoon. Let us have luncheon."

He arrived—the young man who had projected the mesalliance—at the hour expected. He certainly was astonished at his mother's demeanor.

He had looked for remonstrances, tears and threats and been doggedly prepared for all. Instead of these he was met with smiles and cordiality. He could not understand it.

"I had heard something of the matter," said the widow. "Well, it is a democratic age, and if you yourself are satisfied nobody has any right to complain. Her father was a linen draper, I believe, and her mother is quite a respectable person, who lets or lives in lodgings?"

"Er—they are living in apartments, yes," said Bertie. "But—er—she is charming. I am sure you can trust my taste."

"Emphatically I can, and I am not going to be so absurd as to raise any objection, my dear boy. You want to marry Miss Dornton—marry her. You have my full and free consent, and I should like to be introduced to her too. When shall I see her?"

"I really don't know," stammered the boy. "Whenever you like." The question was so entirely unexpected that he was almost speechless.

"Well, the best way will be to ask her down here for two or three weeks. Can she come?"

"It could be arranged—oh, yes! She is at the theater every night, but I want her to leave the stage, and—oh, yes, she would come as soon as you please."

"Then I will write and ask her for the beginning of next month," said Lady Whichels conclusively. "And now you must tell me all about it and how nobody ever loved a girl so madly before in all the world."

Lady Whichels dispatched her charming letter to her prospective daughter-in-law on the morrow, and on the day after came the answer, thanking Bertie's mother for her kindness and gladly accepting the invitation.

She wrote her notes, and a crowd of friends accepted, and so the days went by until a full drawing room sat on tenter hooks one afternoon awaiting Miss Dornton's entrance.

The clock on the mantelshelf had tinkled the hour of 4. The dogcart, with Bertie driving, had long gone to the station. Lady Whichels glanced at the baronet and smiled. The baronet pulled his mustache and inwardly reflected that, ass as his brother was, all this was a trifle rough on him. The company, sipping their tea and nibbling petits fours, and muffins struggled ineffectually to conceal their curiosity and impatience. Then there was the sound of wheels on the drive, and everybody fixed a pair of eager eyes upon the door.

It opened, and Miss Dornton came in and advanced to be presented to her hostess. Lady Whichels started, and the baronet's eyebrows went up. Nothing could have been quieter or in better taste than the manner of the girl who crossed the big room under an ordeal which might have shaken the composure of a society belle of half a dozen seasons. Her costume, too, was perfect, and her words, when spoken, were all that the most fastidious could have desired. Moreover, she was not pretty, but beautiful—the most beautiful girl present. There was no good disguising the fact—if Miss Dornton's first appearance was to be taken as typical of Miss Dornton, Lady Whichels' plot had failed.

That night when she sat in her dressing room before the fire, talking to her favorite son, the widow came nearer crying than she had done for years.

"She isn't farouche at all, Philip," she muttered disconsolately. "She is—preposterous as it sounds when I admit it—she is really good style. Where does she get it from—the daughter of a linen draper? It is awful! They imitate our clothes, these people, and our phrases, and now they even manage to acquire our style. Nothing is left to us—nothing."

"She is a very charming girl," said the baronet, "that is the truth. What on earth she saw in Bertie beats me!"

"Philip!"

"I don't see that you have any chance of preventing the marriage now, at any rate," he observed, after a pause. "She won't call me 'Sir Whichels,' or come down to luncheon in gloves, or make herself ridiculous at all, I fancy. You had better put a good face on it and let Bertie think you were sincere from the beginning. In fact, you'll have to do so. There is nothing else for it."

"Leave me—let me go to bed!" said Lady Whichels tartly. "I am too angry to sit up, and to talk about it makes me feel worse. Good night!"

But just after Miss Dornton's visit came to a termination she had cause to feel worse still, for something horrible had happened. It began— Where did it begin? It matured in the smoking room one evening. It culminated in Lady Whichels' dressing room at 9 o'clock one ghastly morning, when she was half dead with misery and sleep.

For ten days Bertie had been feeling less sure of himself than he had done. Opposition was the breath of life to him, and, with the course of true love running smooth, he began to ask himself whether it was true love, after all.

In the meantime the baronet's first impression of his brother's fiancee had been more than confirmed, and, fickle on the young lady's part as it may look, she appeared to find more pleasure in Sir Philip's society than in Bertie's.

Well, one night, when the brothers were alone together in the smoking room, the younger man unbosomed himself. He told the baronet that his engagement had been a mistake, and he wished to goodness that he had never blundered into it. Sir Philip, who had been mixing himself a whisky and potash, dropped the glass, which shivered into 50 pieces in the Abbotsford stove. As a man not given to dropping things, the accident was noteworthy and suggested that his nerves were not properly under control.

"You'll have treated the girl d——d badly," he said sharply.

"You think that I ought to marry her?"

"I think that you oughtn't to have asked her if you weren't sure of yourself. What are you going to do?"

"I'm going to jilt her," said Bertie sulkily; "that's what I'm going to do, and I don't believe she likes me as much as she did, Philip."

"A good thing for her if she doesn't!" opined the other.

"I dare say. Anyhow she leaves us tomorrow morning, and I shall write to her rooms in town, saying I feel that I made a mistake, and—and—that it had better end. If she wants a check, I dare say my mother"—

"Oh, don't be such a confounded young cad!" exclaimed Philip. "A check!"

"You seem to have a very wonderful opinion of Miss Dornton. I wonder you don't marry her yourself."

"Perhaps I may, if I get the chance of asking her and she will have me," answered the baronet. "When you have written your elegant epistle let me know. Now I'm going to turn in."

It was on the morning of the next day but one that Sir Philip, who had spent the previous afternoon in London, disturbed his mother's repose in the fashion alluded to. He told her that he was going to be married. Lady Whichels, wrapped in a dressing gown, listened to him with ashen cheeks.

"To Miss Dornton, mother. Bertie has jilted her, and I proposed yesterday. I don't suppose you'll be pleased, but she is the nicest girl I ever met in my life, and I mean to make her 'Lady Whichels.'"

"Bertie has jilted her!" gasped the widow. "And you—you"—

"Yes. Even I! Last month I scoffed; today I fall! Perhaps it is a judgment on me. Perhaps it is a judgment on you for plotting her downfall as you did. I certainly should not have had the opportunity of falling in love with her if you hadn't. Anyhow I worship the ground she walks on and we are engaged."

And what is more he married her, a fact from which an interesting moral may be drawn by ladies who fancy their abilities for diplomacy. The deposed dowager never forgave him, nor herself, and when she reflects that it was all entirely due to her own brilliant interference she feels there are certain emotions which language is wholly inadequate to convey.—F. C. Philips in Madame.

MUNICIPAL FOLLY.

New York Has Given Away Many of Its Most Valuable Franchises.

The time has come to call a halt upon the granting of public franchises in this way. If New York city cannot itself undertake to operate its street railroads, and if it is not practicable, or if it is deemed unwise that it should supply gas and electricity, certainly it cannot be urged that it should give away these valuable franchises without adequate return, and adequate return can be secured only by granting these privileges to private companies for a limited time and requiring that at the end of a stated period—not exceeding, say, 21 years—there shall be a revision of the compensation to be paid to the city.

The net earnings of any street railroad or gas company, or even now of any electric light company, are so well assured that there is no doubt capital would enter into them even under severe restrictions. This is also true of the telephone business.

This is not a new principle, but only the application to these privileges of the practice that has always prevailed in regard to the city's docks, piers, markets and ferries. The city of New York has wisely retained the ultimate control of its own water front, and by a readjustment every year of rentals for its docks and piers, and at longer intervals of its ferry privileges, it is deriving the benefit of municipal growth and expansion from these sources. The result is gratifying, even though millions may have been lost by official negligence or corruption. The utmost advantage can at any time be obtained by the city by greater economy and watchfulness on the part of its public officials.

These figures of increased revenue will carry conviction of the value of public franchises in New York city. The dock department was organized in 1870, and since then its gross annual revenues have shown an increase from $315,524 in 1871 to $1,839,658 for the year 1894, and its net yearly revenues, which in 1871 amounted to $143,000, had increased 23 years later to $1,500,000. The ferry rents, which in the year 1879 were only $64,441, have been increased to $354,280.

We need only record the earnings of the Brooklyn bridge to realize what has been gained to present and future generations by retaining in public hands the control and ownership of this great highway. The gross earnings have steadily increased from $622,680.31 in 1885 to $1,326,598.85 in 1894.

The profits from public enterprises are so well assured that the public should be continually on guard. Only a few years ago practically an exclusive contract for underground subways was authorized by the legislature, without substantial consideration to the city, which will make it almost impossible ever to interfere with the monopoly of the Metropolitan Telephone, the Western Union and the Edison Illuminating companies, the virtual owners of this new corporation controlling the subways.—A. C. Bernheim in Century.

Serving Vegetables.

The usual rule for serving vegetables is one green vegetable and one starchy vegetable. If a green salad is used, this often takes the place of the green vegetable, as at certain seasons of the year it is difficult in many places to get more than one. An excess of starchy vegetables should be avoided, as one also has starch in the form of bread and in potatoes. With fish, vegetables of delicate flavor should be used, either potatoes, tomatoes, cooked in many ways, cucumbers or green peas. With roast beef, one may serve sweet or white potatoes, or in their place boiled rice or hominy, cauliflower, brussels sprouts, tomatoes, onions, okra, young beets, beet greens, green peas and lima beans. The same vegetables may be served with beefsteak, as well as salsify, asparagus or mushrooms. With boiled mutton, serve potatoes, cauliflower, young carrots, salsify, onions, spinach or any kind of beans that are green. With boiled mutton serve caper sauce, currant jelly or horse radish. With veal serve carrots, white turnips or spinach, lettuce, creamed cabbage, young beets or beet greens. With game serve a sauce and a salad. Stewed celery with a white sauce. With goose, when roasted, serve apple sauce, onions or squash. When potatoes are served as a vegetable with meat, and only one vegetable can be afforded in addition, it is more appetizing usually to have that one a green vegetable. It is also more healthful, as the potatoes furnish the starch needed for the diet.—New York Post.

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"'Oh, New York doesn't want me any more,' he said bitterly. 'It's the cruelest city on the face of the earth in its treatment of its amusement favorites!

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When Stambuloff Held the Bank.

I had looked in late after dinner at the British agency, expecting only to find the usual skittle billiards and backgammon in progress. To my surprise I found the cardroom more crowded than I had ever seen it before. Not only the usual attaches, but a bevy of ministers and officers were crowded around the table. M. Stambuloff was taking a bank at baccarat. There must have been over £500 in the bank, besides a stack of I O U's—more or less worthless. The banker's eyes glistened in a way which showed he was taking the game very seriously. He kept his hands over the pack, clutching it in a nervous way, which would certainly never have been permitted in any French club. He twisted the cards out with a curious jerk, and when he had to turn a card up he slapped it violently—I suppose in order to show he was in high spirits. I have never known him to talk so much. Usually he was the most taciturn of men.

His luck was truly phenomenal. I have never seen so many eights and nines at a time before. At last the stakes against him became so small that he threw the cards on the floor with impatience, and then asked, with an air of magnificence, what everybody would drink. This surprised me, for it was a matter much commented upon that no one who went to see him ever got so much as a glass of tea out of him.—Saturday Review.

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The Polo Pony and the Cat.

We wonder if it ever occurred to the agents of the Massachusetts Society For the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals that a polo pony chases a polo ball just about as naturally and as joyfully as a cat chases a mouse. It may be cruel to the ball and to the mouse, but it isn't to the pony or to the cat.—Boston Herald.

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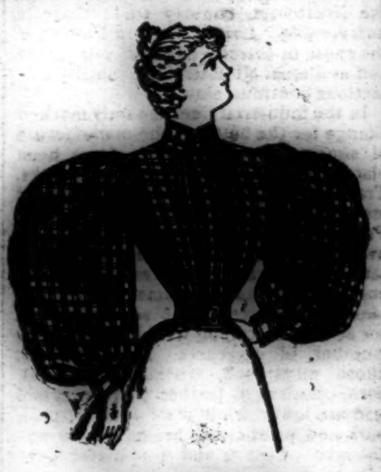

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In Effect Sunday, Oct. 27, 1895

Daily Except Sunday.

North Bound 8	Stations.	South Bound 7
P M	—Wilmington—	P M
2 00	Lv.. Mulberry street ..Ar	12 40
3 58	Lv..Jacksonville Lv	10 42
4 30	Lv..Maysville..........Lv	10 09
4 44	Lv..Pollocksville.......Lv	9 55
5 2	Ar..Newbern Lv	9 20
P M		A M

Trains 8 and 7 p m make connection with trains on A. & N. C. R. R. for Morehead City and Beaufort.

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Steamer Geo D. Purdy makes daily trips between Jacksonville and New River points.

H. A. WHITING,
General Manager
J. W. MARTENIS,
Traffic Manager. oct 27 tf

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule in Effect April 2?, 1896.

Departure from Wilmington—Northbound.

DAILY 9,25 A M — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.52 a m, Warsaw 11.06 a m, Goldsboro 12.01 a m, Wilson 12.57 p m, Rocky Mount 1.38 p m, Tarboro 2.35 p m, Weldon 3.32 p m, Petersburg 5.29 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11,10 p m, Baltimore 12.53 a m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.53 a m, †Boston 3.30 p m.

DAILY 7.00 P M — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 p m, Warsaw 8.43 p m, Goldsboro 9.36 p m, Wilson 10.23 p m, †Tarboro 7.03 a m, Rocky Mount 11.05 a m, Weldon 1.01 a m, †Norfolk 10.35 a m, Petersburg 2.38 a m, Richmond 3.40 a m, Washington 7.00 a m, Baltimore 8.23 a m, Philadelphia 10,46 a m, New York 1.23 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 3,30 P M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.45 p m, Chadbourn 5.19 p m, Marion 6.29 p m, Florence 7.10 p m, Sumter 8.53 p m, Columbia 10.15 p m, Denmark 6.20 a m, Augusta 8.00 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 11,13 p m, Savannah 12.50 a m, Jacksonville 7.00 a m, St. Augustine 9.10 a m, Tampa 6.00 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave *Boston 1,00 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.55 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.05 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.55 a m, Tarboro 12,12 p m, Rocky Mount 12.45 p m, Wilson 2.10 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.02 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 9.45 a m — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.03 p m, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.09 p m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 2.20 p m, Weldon 9.44 p m, †Tarboro 5.58 p m, Rocky Mount 5.45 a m, leave Wilson 6.20 a m, Goldsboro 7.05 a m, Warsaw 7.57 a m, Magnolia 8.10 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 12 15 a m — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 7.00 a m, Sanford 1.55 p m, Jacksonville 7,00 p m, Savannah 12.10 night, Charleston 4.12 a m, Columbia 5.20 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.25 p m, Denmark 4.17 p m, Sumter 6.43 a m, Florence 8.25 a m, Marion 9.06 a m, Chadbourn 10.10 a m, Lake Waccamaw 10.39 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 p m, Halifax 4.13 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 p m, Greenville 6.47 p m, Kinston 7 45 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7 20 a m, Greenville 8.22 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 00a m, Weldon 11.20 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.00 a m and 2 00 p m, arrive Parmele 8.50 a m and 3 40 p m, Tarboro 9.45 a m, returning leaves Tarboro 5 30 p m; Parmele 9 50 a m and 6 20 p m, arrives Washington 11 55 a m and 7.10 p. m. Daily except Sunday. Connects at Parmele with trains on Scotland Neck Branch.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily at 5.30 p m, arrives Plymouth 3.35 p m. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily at 7.40 a m, Arrive Tarboro 9.45 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 6 00 a m; arrive Smithfield N. C., 7.20 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield, N. C.; 7 50 a m; arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 9 15 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 8.50 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 9 15 a m, arrive Latta 9.21 a m, Dillon 9 36 a m, Rowland 9 52 a m., returning leaves Rowland 6 16 p m, arrives Dillon 6.25 p m, Latta 6.37 p m, Pee Dee 6.58 p m, daily. Latta Branch trains leave Latta 6 40 p m, arrive Clio 8 05 p m, returning leave Clio 7 20 a m, arrive Latta 9 00 a m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 8.30 a m, Chadbourn 10.40 a m, arrive Conway 12.15 p m, leave Conway 2 30 p m, Chadbourn 5.35 p m, arrive Hub 6.20 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Wadesboro daily at 5 50 a m, Cheraw 6.42 a m, Darlington 7.43 a m, arrive Florence 8.15 a m. Returning leave Florence 7.45 p m, Darlington 8.17 p m, Cheraw 9.23 p m, arrive Wadesboro 10.15 p m. Trains leave Gibson, daily except Sunday, 6,15 a m, Bennettsville 6 50 a m, arrive Darlington 7.40 a m. Returning, leave Darlington 8.15 p m, Bennettsville 9 09 p m, arrive Gibson 9 35 p m.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 6 06 p m, Manning 6.35 p m, arrive Lane's 7 12 p m, leave Lanes 8.34 a m, Manning 9,10 a m, arrive Sumter 9.39 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7 10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 8.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 3 p m, arrive Lanes 8.35 a m, 5.25 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.18 p m, arrive Selma 2.53 p m, Smithfield 3.03 p m, Dunn 3.50 p m, Fayetteville 4.26 p m, 1.07 a m, Rowland 6.06 p m, returning leave Rowland 9 52 a m, Fayetteville 11.10 a m, 9.40 p m, Dunn 11.51 a m, Smithfield 12.30 p m, Selma 12.32 p m, arrive Wilson 1.20 p m, 11.35 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Darlington †7 58 a m, arrives Sumter †9 30 a m. Leave Sumter †10 a m, arrives Pregnalls †5 4 p m. Leaves Sumter 4 33 a m, arrives Denmark 6 20 a m. Leave Elliott †11.10 a m and †7.15 p m, arrive Lucknow †1 p m and †8.15 p m. Returning leave Lucknow †6 05 a m and †2 00 p m, arrive Elliott †8 25 a m and †3.30 p m. Leaves Denmark 4 17 pm, arrive Sumter 6 05 p m. Leave Pregnalls †8 50 a m, arrive Sumter †3 05 p m. Leaves Sumter †6 30 p m, arrives Darlington †8 p m.

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CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT DEC. 8, 1895.

South Bound Daily No. 1.	Main Line.	North Bound Daily No. 2.
7 55 p. m.	Ar...Wilmington...Lve	7 25 a.
4 45 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	10 35 a m
4 33 "	Ar..Fayetteville...Lv	12 55 "
4 30 "	Ar Fayetteville Junc Lv	10 57 "
3 19 "	Lv....Sanford.....Lv	12 19 p. m
1 32 a m	Lv......Climax.....Lv	2 25 "
1 03 "	Lv...Greensboro...Ar	2 56 "
12 58 "	Ar...Greensboro...Lv	3 05 "
12 12 a m	Lv...Stokesdale...Lv	3 59 "
11 45 "	Lv...Walnut Cove...Ar	4 31 "
11 35 "	Ar..Walnut Cove...Lv	4 38 "
11 05 "	Lv...Rural Hall...Lv	5 11 "
9 35 "	Lv.....Mt Airy.....Ar	6 45 "

South Bound Daily No. 3.	Bennettsville Division.	North Bound Daily No. 4.
7 20 p m	Ar...Bennettsville...Lv	8 25 a. m.
6 12 "	Lv....Maxton....Ar	9 23 "
5 42 "	Lv...Red Springs...Lv	9 55 "
4 58 "	Lv....Hope Mills...Lv	10 35 "
4 38 "	Lv...Fayetteville...Ar	10 52

South Bound Daily except Sunday. No. 15. Mixed.	Factory and Madison Branches.	North Bound Daily except Sunday. No. 16. Mixed.
5 50 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 45 a.
3 55 "	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	8 35 "
3 10 "	Lv...Greensboro...Ar	9 20 "

North Bound.	No. 16 Mixed. daily ex su
Leave Greensboro	9 35 a. m.
Leave Stokesdale	10 50 "
Arrive Madison	11 50 "

South Bound.	No. 15. Mixed. daily ex su
Leave Madison	12 25 p m
Leave Stokesdale	1 23 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 35 "

NORTH-BOUND CONNECTIONS

At Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line for all points North and East, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk & Western R. R. for Winston Salem.

SOUTH-BOUND CONNECTIONS

At Walnut Cove with the Norfolk & Western Railroad for Roanoke and points North and West, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company for Raleigh, Richmond and all points North and East, at Fayetteville with the Atlantic Coast Line for all points South, at Maxton with the Seaboard Air Line for Charlotte, Atlanta and all points South and Southwest.

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Schedule in Effect April 5, 1896.

WESTWARD.

	N.41	No 402	No. 15
	P. M.	P. M	P. M.
Leave Wilmington	* 3 20		†6 30
Arrive Lumberton	5 26		A. M.
Arrive Maxton	6 12		‡12 10
Arrive Laurinburg	6 25		2 45
Arrive Hamlet	6 55		3 35
Leave Hamlet	7 15	* 9 10	‡5 15
Arrive Rockingham	7 26	9 20	Sleeper Wilmington to Hamlet.
Arrive Wadesboro	8 01	9 52	
Arrive Monroe	8 55	10 40	
Arrive Charlotte	10 20	11 35	
Arrive Mt. Holly		11 59	
Arrive Lincolnton		P. M. 12 56	
Arrive Shelby		1 50	
Ar Rutherfordton		3 00	

EASTWARD.

	No 38	No 402	No. 26
		P M	
Leave Rutherfordton		* 4 35	
Leave Shelby		5 58	
Leave Lincolnton		6 15	
Leave Mt Holly		7 45	
	A. M.		
Leave Charlotte	*5 25	8 20	Sleeper Hamlet to Wilmington.
Leave Monroe	6 13	9 15	
Leave Wadesboro	7 07	9 56	
Leave Rockingham	7 40	10 25	
		P. M	
Arrive Hamlet	7 55	10 35	P. M.
Leave Hamlet	9 10		†10 50
Leave Laurinburg	9 24		A. M.
Leave Maxton	9 49		‡12 30
Leave Lumberton	10 40		1 25
	P. M		4 00
Arrive Wilmington	12 50		‡8 45

*Daily. †Daily ex Sun'y.

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No. 2—PASSENGER AND FREIGHT.

Leave Cheraw, S. C.................... †5.30 p m.
Arrive Hamlet, N. C.................... 6 50 p. m

MOVING SOUTH.

No. 1—PASSENGER AND FREIGHT.

Leave Hamlet, N. C.................... †9 25 a m
Arrive Cheraw, S. C.................... 10 45 a m

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W. B. HARKER, Secretary.
June 8 1m

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 25, 1896

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat, Corn and Oats Closed Higher—Pork Products Firm at Better Prices.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, April 24.—Wheat—Prices ruled weak and lower from the start until very near the end of the trading hours. A recovery then taking place, the close presented an improvement over that of yesterday. July wheat opened from 64⅝@64⅜@64⅛@64⅝c, sold between 63⅞ and 65⅛c, closing at 65⅛c bid—⅜c higher than yesterday. Cash wheat was steady, closing firm and nominally higher, with the futures.

Corn was firm early, thereby contrasting with wheat, but when the leading market grew more pronouncedly weak, corn gradually lost the steady tone. The revival of wheat led to buying of corn in the last hour and a full recovery resulted. Offerings were not heavy and shorts exhibited more or less anxiety to cover. July corn opened at 30⅝c, advanced to 31c., and closed at 30¾@30⅞c.—⅛@¼c. higher than yesterday. Cash corn was steady, but closed nominally firmer, after everything was disposed of.

Oats reflected the temper of wheat, declining and advancing with that grain. July oats closed a shade over yesterday. Cash oats closed at a decline of ⅛c., but closed nominally firm.

Provisions—Further improvement took place in the hog market. This was the main interest of news in the product market, which also exhibited a better tone in response. The firmness continued during most of the session, the rally in wheat extending help. There was a temporary reaction during the morning. At the close July pork and lard were each 5c. higher than yesterday and May ribs 2½c. higher.

LATE FOREIGN NEWS.

British Forces Defeated in an Engagement with the Matebele—The Powers Protest Against the Nomination of a Mohammedan for Governor of Zeitoun—The Ministerial Crisis in France.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CAPE TOWN, April 24.—A dispatch from Buluwayo, dated April 24th, says that Commander Duncan, with 200 whites and 100 natives, with Maxim and Hotchkiss guns, met the Matabele three miles out from Bulawayo. The Matabele fired a heavy volley into the British party and drove them into Umgaza river. One of the whites of the British party was killed, three officers were wounded and several of the natives were killed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 24.—The dragomans of the six embassies, German, French, British, Italian, Russian and Austrian, communicated in concert yesterday with Tewfik Pasha, Minister of Foreign Affairs, setting forth that the nomination of a Mohammedan Governor at Zeitoun is a breach of the scheme of reforms which the Porte has already accepted, and calling upon the Porte to fulfill its agreement. The dragomans insisted that the matter should be immediately taken under consideration, and it is now receiving the attention of the Porte.

LONDON, April 24.—The *Morning Post's* Paris correspondent hints at the beginning of a revolutionary era. The Paris correspondent of the *Daily News* telegraphs that the crisis is the most acute of any that has prevailed since 1877. He adds that a curious factor is the impending arrival of Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria from St. Petersburg.

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

The Net Receipts at the Ports—New York Sun's Review of the Situation in Cotton.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 24.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1, 1895: Galveston, 899,425 bales; New Orleans, 1 668,303; Mobile, 201,151; Savannah, 717,146; Charleston, 274,663; Wilmington, 167,152; Norfolk, 314,862; Baltimore, 39,963, New York, 94,632; Boston, 137,186; Newport News, 14 629; Philadelphia, 30,853; West Point, 140,896; Brunswick, 74,340; Port Royal, 73,672; Pensacola, 16,433; Texas City, 53,273. Total, 4,927,579 bales.

The *Sun* says: Cotton advaned one to three points on most months but lost the improvement and declined four points, closing barely steady, with sales of 114,000 bales.

To-day's features: Prices were slightly stronger this morning, despite the decline in Liverpool, for the prominent operator was again buying. The number of May notices circulated was unexpectedly small and these were quickly stopped by exporters. But later the improvement was lost, for the Liverpool news was depressing. Prices there declined and the spot market was less active. The movement for the week was larger but the exports from the ports were quite small. May was the strong and most active month, while the next crop months were comparatively neglected and inclined to weakness.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Spirits turpentine scarce and firm at 29@29½c. Rosin firm, with light supply; strained common to good $2 00.

CHARLESTON, April 24.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25c; sales — casks. Rosin—market firm; sales to-day of — barrels; quote: B $1 40, C $1 40, D $1 40, E $1 50, F $1 50, G $1 50, H $1 55, I $1 55, K $1 60, M $1 70, N $1 80, W G $1 95, W W $2 05.

SAVANNAH, April 24.—Spirits turpentine firm and demand strong at 25½c; sales 1,085 casks; to-day's receipts 1,888 casks; receipts since April 1st 20,187 casks; exports 18,782 casks; stock to-day 11 674 casks. Rosin in good demand at unchanged prices; sales 3,000 barrels; receipts 3,205 barrels; receipts since April 1st 45,143 barrels; exports 76,999 barrels; stock to-day 103,122 barrels: A, B, C, D, E, F, G $1 55, H $1 60, I $1 65, K $1 65, M $1 75, N $1 80, window glass $2 00; water white $2 10.

J. R. Gattis, a prominent resident of Durham, N. C., 66 years old, fell dead Thursday night during a revival meeting at the Methodist Church there.

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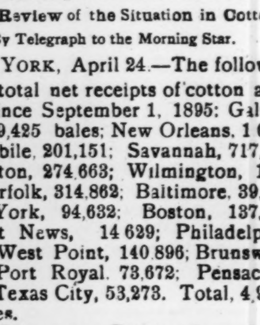

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WENT OVER IN THE SENATE AFTER MODIFICATION.

Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill Under Consideration—A Few Important Bills Passed—Pension Matters in the House—Report on Virginia Contested Election Case.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The Senate made considerable progress to-day on the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill, having disposed of all the amendments reported to it by the Committee on Appropriations. Some comment was made on the practice attributed to the House of Representatives of appropriating sums only sufficient to cover the cost of service for six or nine months in the year, and throwing on the Senate the responsibility and blame of swelling the appropriation bills. The advice proffered by Mr. Mills to cure that evil was for the Senate to pass the appropriation bills just as the House sent them, leaving to the President the duty of notifying Congress that additional appropriations were necessary for the public service.

Mr. Bacon of Georgia, Democrat, offered an amendment for the payment to the Cotton States and International Exposition Company of Atlanta, Ga., of the unexpended balance (about $13,000) of the appropriation heretofore made for the Government exhibit there. Agreed to. The bill was then laid aside for the day.

When Mr. Peffer's bond resolution was laid before the Senate, it was modified by Mr. Peffer by striking out the clauses in relation to Government officers having been interested in the matter for their own profit. The resolution went over without further action.

The following bills were passed:

Senate bill to pay $250,000 to Richmond College, Richmond, Va., for the use and occupation and injury of the building by the United States troops for eight months beginning April, 1865.

Senate bill appropriating $2,500 for a lighthouse at St. Joseph's Bay, Florida.

Mr. Warren, from the Committee on Claims, to-day favorably reported to the Senate, as an amendment to the Sundry Civil bill, an appropriation carrying a little more than one million dollars for the payment of French spoliation claims that have been adjudicated by the Court of Claims and found to be due.

At 5.45 p. m. the Senate adjourned until to-morrow.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Nearly five hours were given by the House to-day to a futher consideration, in Committee of the Whole, of the General Pension bill. The speakers generally supported the bill, but all criticised one or another section, especially those which authorize the pensioning of soldiers who previous to their honorable service in the Union army, had served in the Confederate army or had not received honorable discharge.

Bills were passed authorizing the free entry into the United States of articles or animals exported for exhibition in other countries, and nine private pension and relief bills favorably reported at the last Friday night session. The Senate's request for a conference on the Indian Appropriation bill was agreed to. The report of Elections Committee No. 3 upon the contested case of Cornett vs Swanson from the Fifth District of Virginia in favor of the sitting member, Mr. Swanson, Democrat, was received and the minority given until Wednesday next in which to present their views.

At 5 o'clock the House took a recess until 8 o'clock, the evening session to be for the consideration of private pension bills.

GRAIN AND TRADE CONGRESS

To Be Held in Charleston, S. C., Next Wednesday—Delegates Will Be Present from Many Points in the South and West.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., April 24.—All arrangements for the Southern Grain and Trade Congress to be held here on the 29th inst. have been about completed. The local committee has mapped out a line of entertainment for the delegates that must contribute greatly to the pleasure of the convention.

Delegates will be present from all of the more important points South. Savannah, Mobile, Pensacola, Tampa, New Orleans and Galveston will be represented. A great many more interior points will send delegations, including Kansas City, Chicago, Cairo, Ill., Memphis, Chattanooga, Knoxville, Nashville and Jackson, Tenn., Louisville, Ky., Evansville, Ind., Sioux City, Iowa, Superior, Neb., St. Louis, Mo., Atlanta and Augusta Ga., and Minneapolis, Minn.

Prominent traffic men and executive officers of many of the roads in the Southeast and the roads between Chicago and the Ohio river will also attend the meeting. Rates of one fare for the round trip have been authorized by the Southern States Passenger Association and by the Central Passenger Committee, from all of its territory west of a line drawn from Chicago to Cincinnati, through Logansport, Ind.

The various papers to be read at the Congress must necessarily do much towards educating the South and West to the fact that the natural and proper path for a vast amount of export and import commerce now moving almost entirely through North Atlantic ports is through the Southern and Gulf gateways, and once the tide of this commerce is turned in its natural channel of the Southern ports it can never be wrested from them.

The growth of the fruit and grain trade through the South Atlantic and Gulf ports during the past few years has already grown phenomenal and the efforts of these meetings of the Grain and Trade Congress having the sympathy and co-operation of the railroads to augment this business to what is claimed to be its natural proportions, and to create other export and import commerce, is certain to be crowned with a success that will satisfy the expectations of the most sanguine.

KILLED BY BURGLARS.

Horrible Murders in Charles County, Maryland.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LA PLATTA, MD., April 24.—A horrible double murder, accompanied by burglary, was committed at Hill Top, a small village in Charles county, near this place this morning. About 2 o'clock Joseph Cocking, who keeps a general store at Hill Top, was awakened by a noise in his store, over which his family lived. Hastily arising, Mr. Cocking came down stairs and was struck senseless by a blow on the head. He was tied with ropes and thrown down into the cellar, stunned and helpless, where he was discovered this morning by a passing colored man who found the store door open and heard his moans. In the rooms up stairs the dead bodies of Mrs. Cocking and her sister, Miss Daisy Miller, were found. Both women were lying on the floor with their skulls crushed as if by an iron bar or a similar instrument. The store had been robbed. There is no clue to the murderers.

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AFFAIRS IN CUBA.

ANOTHER PROCLAMATION FROM CAPTAIN GENERAL WEYLER.

Government Officials Report Engagements With Bands of Insurgents in Which Many of the Latter Were Killed.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, April 24.—Official advice, received here state that Col. Aldeas while in pursuit of parties of rebels, encountered several bands of them on the Carmen estate, near Sabanilla, in the province of Matanzas. The insurgents were fleeing from an attack which had been made upon them by the Rev column. The troops charged upon the rebels upon all sides, forcing them to take refuge in the cane fields, which were burning, and many of them perished in the flames which they had started. The troops continued in pursuit of the fleeing rebels, killing many of them. Twenty-three dead insurgents were left behind and it is believed that more than that number perished in the cane fields.

Other than Government authorities assert that the affair was similar to many others which have occured wherein unarmed men were killed. The official report says that the troops had but one man killed and one wounded.

MADRID, April 24.—A dispatch to the *Imparcial* says Captain General Weyler has issued a proclamation stating that he is informed that the insurgent bands in the Pinar del Rio province are discouraged but have not sought the clemency of the Government, fearing that they would be shot if they should surrender. The proclamation is therefore issued to inform these men that full pardon will be granted to all who may come into Government lines and surrender within twenty days.

HAVANA, VIA TAMPA, FLA., April 24.—Gen. Weyler is satisfied that nothing in the line of intervention or recognition of belligerency may be looked for from Washington, at least for the present, and the public executions of prisoners of war which were suspended for a time have been resumed.

There is supposed to be a general understanding among commanders of Spanish columns that no prisoners are to be taken in engagements in the field. All Cuban patriots who fall into the hands of the troops through being wounded or from other causes are liable to be shot at once and counted with the number killed in battle. Some of the Spanish commanders act according to this understanding, but others decline to slay unarmed or wounded men and deliver their prisoners to Gen. Weyler in Havana. Many of these so-called prisoners of war never carried a gun or engaged in battle, but were taken from plantations or from small towns and hamlets in the interior where the Spaniards are sure that all men are rebels, and are not far from being right. The prisoners are brought to Havana bound and strongly guarded to prevent rescue before reaching the city and mob violence afterward. The lower class of Spaniards gather about each batch of prisoners and clamor for their blood as they pass through the streets to the ferry to Cabanas fortress or Morro Castle. The court-martial before which these prisoners are tried is a perfunctory affair, composed of five military men who order the death penalty under Weyler's decree that all insurgents are bandits and incendiaries and deserving of death. The prisoners have no opportunity to make a defence and all Cubans in the rebel armies know that capture means death. Most of those brought in, it seems, have been wounded, cut off from their columns, or caught without arms. When condemned to death they are given twenty-four hours to prepare for the end. They are given what they want to eat, and are placed in the chapel at Cabanas fortress, with priests in constant attendance for the last twelve hours.

BUSINESS SITUATION.

The Feeling More Hopeful at Many Trade Centres.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Bradstreet's says the feeling is more hopeful at many trade centres, owing to the continued improvement in demand in retail lines, better weather, generally favorable crop prospects, and the activity which naturally follows renewed building operations, distribution of implements and farm supplies and attendant activity. More favorable reports from commercial travellers come from Pittsburg, St. Louis, Kansas City, Omaha and Milwaukee houses. Moderate improvement is shown at a few other Western centres, but at almost all of the larger distribution points throughout the country the movement of merchandise, on the whole, shows no material change. While seeding is progressing rapidly in the Northwest, country trade there is unfavorable. Lack of rain in Florida is the cause of scarcity of early vegetables and at almost all cities mercantile collections continue slow.

In the industrial lines the only marked change for the better is the manufacture of shoes, orders for which have been placed in excess of preceding weeks. Transactions in wool have increased moderately, but supplies continue heavy. Prices for cotton goods are depressed by overproduction, not even the higher quotation for raw material having any influence under these circumstances. The tendency of prices is the reverse of that for several preceding weeks, with a large number, of decreases. In addition to those mentioned, wheat flour, wheat, corn, oats, sugar, leather, petroleum and lard are lower, while wool, lumber, coal, pork and print cloths are nominally unchanged. Cotton and tin plates have advanced.

There were 240 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, compared with 244 last week, and 223 in the corresponing week one year ago.

BASE BALL.

Result of Games Played Yesterday at Various Places.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

Portsmouth—Portsmouth, 1; Petersburg, 13.

Lexington—The game between the Columbian University of Washington and Washington and Lee University was called during the third inning on account of rain. The latter scored one run on errors in the third inning.

Roanoke—There was only one inning played to-day on account of rain. Norfolk, 1; Roanoke, 0.

Richmond—Richmond, 8; Lynchburg, 5.

Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 8; Cleveland, 4.

Atlanta—Atlanta, 11; Montgomery, 7.

Birmingham—Birmingham, 2; Mobile, 11.

Columbus—Columbus, 8; New Orleans 8.

WARM WIRELETS.

The delegates elected to the National Convention by the Republican State Convention of Virginia are instructed to vote for McKinley.

An old shop adjoining the new shops of the Southern Railway, at Atlanta, was burned last night. Twenty cars were destroyed. The loss is under $30,000.

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When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

A BITTER FEUD

Between the Line and Staff Officers of the Navy—Primary Cause of the Fight Between Congressman Hall and Money.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—As a result of the affray yesterday between Congressmen Hall and Money, Secretary Herbert will take some action with regard to the bitter feud between the line and the staff of the navy, which was the primary cause of the conflict in the Naval Affairs Committee room. The bitterness of the two factions has been increasing until it is now at fire heat and the more conservative men who take an interest in the matter believe that the personnel of the service is being injured and that vigorous action is necessary on the part of the Secretary to bring about better relations between naval officers. The bills before Congress giving actual rank to the members of the engineer corps form the basis for the present intensity of feeling. Lobbying has been freely indulged in for and against the measure, and social and political influence has been brought to bear on every member of Congress. The line officers are determined that the staff shall not secure actual rank and have formed an association for the purpose of fighting the measures proposing such an arrangement. Commodores Pythians and Matthews, who were in the Naval Committee room when Mr. Hall and Mr. Money had their battle of inkstands and sponge cups, are prominent members of the Line Association. The Cabinet, it is understood, discussed the matter at its meeting to day and action may be looked for by the Navy Department. It is not unlikely that charges will be preferred if the matter goes much further. Some time ago the subject was given consideration with a view to stopping the growing enmity between the two branches of the service, but no definite action was taken.

NEWS OF THE NAVY.

Movements of Vessels of the Asiatic Squadron—Cruisers Boston and Detroit at Shanghai.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—The Navy Department has been informed that the gunboat Concord arrived at Honolulu April 16th and would leave for San Francisco April 23rd (yesterday). The Concord started from the China station for home a few days after the little gunboat Petrel, but as was expected passed the latter on the way. The Petrel is now probably at Honolulu or else started thence for San Francisco in company with the Concord.

A cablegram received at the Navy Department from Acting Rear Admiral McNair, commanding the Asiatic naval station, reports that the cruisers Boston and Detroit and the gunboats Machias and Yorktown arrived at Shanghai today. No explanation of the reason for this unusual congregation of warships was contained in the dispatch, but it is presumed at the Department that Admiral McNair has brought them together for the purpose of having fleet evolutions. The naval regulations require that squadrons shall assemble for manœuvering once every six months and a recent letter from the Admiral said be hoped to bring four vessels together for fleet tactics in a short time.

FIGHTING IN NICARAGUA.

The Port of Corinto Closed to All Vessels.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—The Pacific mail steamer San Jose arrived yesterday from Havana. The steamer failed to touch at Corinto on account of the trouble in Nicaragna, the port being closed to all vessels. Reports reached the steamer that the revolutionary party had been meeting reverses. The U. S. man-of-war Alert is stationed at Corinto and four of her crew, two sailors and two marines, were passengers on the San Jose. They had been paroled on sick list. In order to reach the San Jose they were obliged to make their way to La Libertad, in Salvador. The sailors said that there was a great deal of fighting in Nicaragua and that no one seemed to know when her ports were to be reopened.

An aggressive silver campaign is to be made in Kentucky by the Democrats. Senator George G. Vest, on invitation of the State Bimetallic League, will stump the State in the interest of silver.

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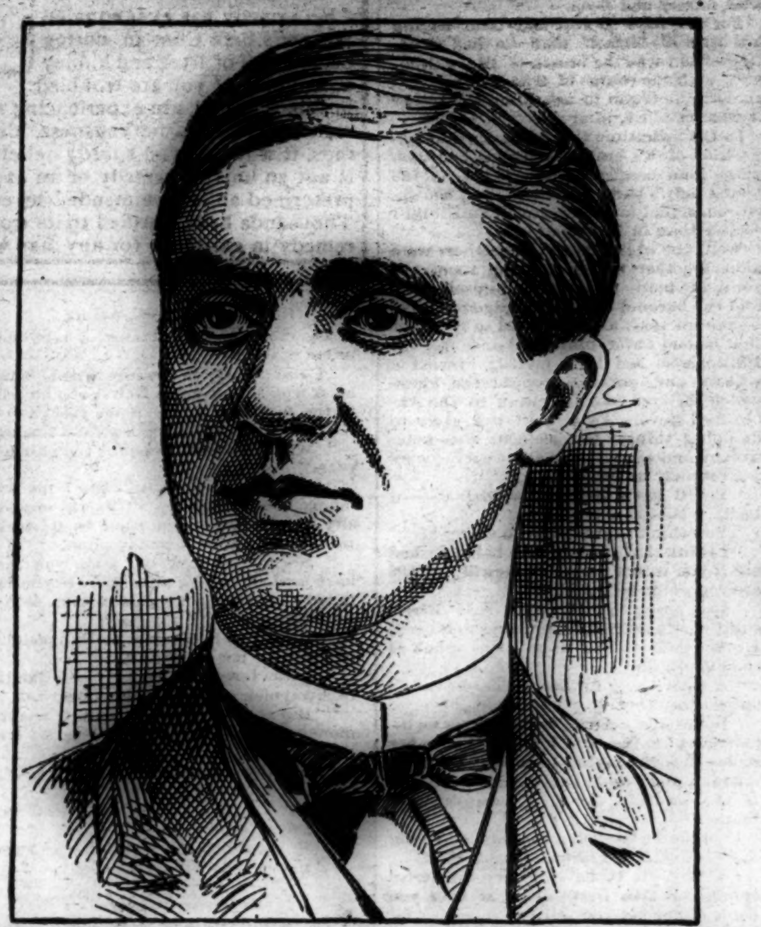

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Very sincerely yours, A. A. Bennett.

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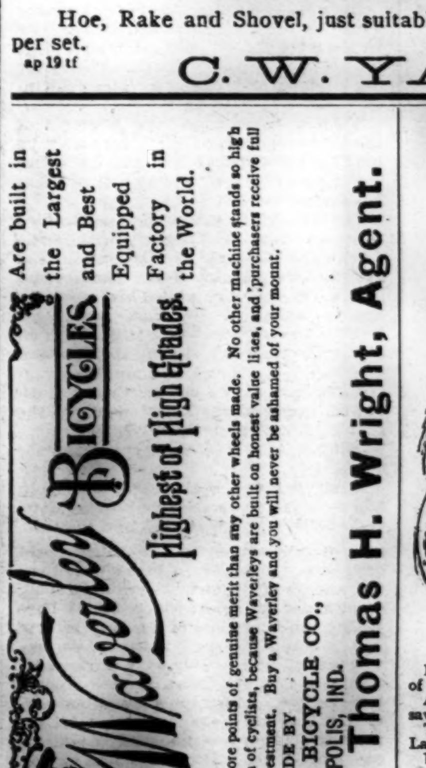

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